

AJ VS MID-CAROLINA BOYS SOCCER(3rd PLAYOFF GAME)



AJ #13 Landon Stacks taking the ball down the field.....AJ BOYS WIN 5-1 (Photo by Gwynn Leaird)

REP. CODY T. MITCHELL NAMED 2026 NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR



COLUMBIA, SC — Representative Cody T. Mitchell has been named the 2026 National Guard Association of South Carolina Legislator of the Year in recognition of his steadfast support for South Carolina's Soldiers, Airmen, veterans, and military families. Rep. Mitchell represents House District 65, which includes portions of Darlington, Kershaw, Chesterfield, and Lancaster Counties. In addition to his legislative service, Mitchell continues to serve as a

major and JAG officer in the South Carolina Army National Guard. A native of Bethune, Mitchell is a distinguished military graduate of Presbyterian College, where he also served as ROTC Battalion Commander while earning degrees in history and

business. His commitment to service has remained a defining part of both his military and public careers. "I am honored to be named the 2026 National Guard Association of South Carolina Legislator of the Year," said Mitchell. "I'm proud of my continued

service in the South Carolina Army National Guard, and I'm also proud to use my service in the South Carolina House of Representatives to support our Soldiers, Airmen, and their families."

Throughout his time in the Legislature, Mitchell has been a strong advocate for military readiness, rural communities, infrastructure improvements, and policies that improve the quality of life for service members and veterans across South Carolina.

Colleagues and community leaders praised Mitchell for bringing firsthand military experience and a servant-leadership mindset to the State House.

"Whether serving in uniform or serving in Columbia, Cody has consistently demonstrated a commitment to helping people and strengthening South Carolina communities. Cody stands with our veterans," said Representative Ritchie Yow.

The National Guard Association of South Carolina presents the Legislator of the Year award annually to lawmakers who demonstrate exceptional leadership and support for the men and women serving in the South Carolina National Guard.

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 Republican for House

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