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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

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Lutheran Church in Benson; and

WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General 2 3 Assembly pays honor and respect to the truly great individuals 4 who have served our country and, in so doing, have gone above 5 and beyond the call of duty in truly heroic acts; and 6 WHEREAS, Specialist Phillip Pannier was born on December 5, 7 1987 in Peoria; his parents were Donald and Robyn Amigoni 8 Pannier; and WHEREAS, SPC Phillip Pannier graduated in 2006 from 9 10 Roanoke-Benson High School, where he was active in band, FFA, 11 football, and soccer; and 12 WHEREAS, SPC Phillip Pannier began his military career with 13 basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia; he achieved his rank of private first class, serving his home post at Fort Campbell, 14 15 Kentucky; and 16 WHEREAS, SPC Phillip Pannier was killed in action on 17 January 8, 2008, while serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom; he was posthumously promoted to the rank of specialist; and 18 WHEREAS, SPC Phillip Pannier was a member of St. Paul 19

- 1 WHEREAS, SPC Phillip Pannier enjoyed being outdoors on the
- farm; he was also active with the Happy Hustlers 4-H Club and
- 3 was an avid deer hunter; and
- 4 WHEREAS, SPC Phillip Pannier was preceded in death by his
- 5 paternal and maternal grandparents, and his brother, Dale Opie
- 6 Pannier; and
- 7 WHEREAS, SPC Phillip Pannier was survived by his parents;
- 8 his brothers, Dan (Karin) Pannier and Benjamin Pannier; his
- 9 sister-in-law, Tanya; his nieces and nephews, Kaitlyn, Karly,
- 10 Kiefer, Jessica, Colton, and Dalana; and his fiancee, Jennifer
- 11 Held; therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 13 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE
- 14 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the portion of Illinois
- 15 Route 116 from Roanoke to Metamora as the SPC Phillip J.
- Pannier Memorial Highway; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
- is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
- 19 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
- 20 giving notice of the name of the SPC Phillip J. Pannier
- 21 Memorial Highway; and be it further

- 1 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be 2 delivered to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of
- 3 Transportation, the Village of Metamora, the Village of
- 4 Roanoke, and the family of Specialist Phillip Pannier.