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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General
3 Assembly pays honor and respect to the truly great individuals
4 who have served our country and, in doing so, have made the
5 ultimate sacrifice for our nation; and

6 WHEREAS, Cpl. Lester H. Leopold was born in Wilmington on
7 August 26, 1948 and was a 1966 graduate of the Will County
8 School System; and

9 WHEREAS, Cpl. Leopold went on to serve his country in the
10 U.S. Army with the 1st Cavalry Division; and

11 WHEREAS, Cpl. Leopold began a tour of duty in South Vietnam
12 on July 21, 1969; and

13 WHEREAS, Cpl. Leopold was killed in action in the Tay Ninh
14 Province of South Vietnam on September 6, 1969; and

15 WHEREAS, Cpl. Leopold was survived by his mother and two
16 siblings; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
19 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the West Baltimore Street

1 Bridge over the Kankakee River just west of North Water Street
2 in Wilmington as the "Cpl. Lester H. Leopold Memorial Bridge";
3 and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
5 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
6 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
7 giving notice of the name the "Cpl. Lester H. Leopold Memorial
8 Bridge"; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
10 presented to the family of Cpl. Leopold, the Mayor of
11 Wilmington, and the Secretary of Transportation.