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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives were devastated to learn of the death of
4 McHenry County Sheriff's Deputy Jacob Keltner, who was killed
5 in the line of duty on March 7, 2019 at the age of 35; and

6 WHEREAS, Deputy Keltner attended Western Illinois
7 University, where he met the love of his life, Becki; and

8 WHEREAS, Born in to a law enforcement family, the desire to
9 protect and help others ran in Deputy Keltner's blood; and

10 WHEREAS, A 13-year veteran of the McHenry County Sheriff's
11 office, Deputy Keltner was beloved by the officers who worked
12 alongside him and the community he served; and

13 WHEREAS, A great detective and true "cop's cop", Deputy
14 Keltner was selected to serve as a member of the U.S. Marshals
15 Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force; and

16 WHEREAS, A dedicated officer and lover of adventure, Deputy
17 Keltner bravely volunteered for a team that chased "the worst
18 of the worst" criminal offenders; and

19 WHEREAS, Deputy Keltner made the ultimate sacrifice in the

1 service of that task force; he is a true hero to his community,
2 to Illinois, and to his family; and

3 WHEREAS, Deputy Keltner will be remembered as a man who
4 loved his job, his fellow officers, his country, his Cubs, and,
5 most importantly, his family; and

6 WHEREAS, Deputy Keltner leaves behind a loving wife of 11
7 years, Becki Keltner, and two young boys, Caleb and Carson;
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we mourn the passing of Deputy Jacob Keltner and extend our
12 sincere condolences to his family, friends, fellow officers,
13 and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to Deputy Keltner's wife, Becki Keltner, and his
16 family as an expression of our deepest sympathy and in homage
17 to a great man who sacrificed his life to protect others.