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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois General Assembly wish
3 to honor those who have served our country with distinction and
4 valor in the United States Armed Forces; and

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WHEREAS, The Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the
6 President of the United States to any member of the U.S. Armed
7 Forces or any civilian national of the United States who, while
8 serving under competent authority in any capacity with one of
9 the U.S. Armed Forces after April 5, 1917, has been wounded,
10 killed, or has died or may hereafter die after being wounded;
11 and

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WHEREAS, In honor of the ultimate sacrifice paid by so many
13 of our troops throughout history, it is fitting to dedicate a
14 section of Interstate 80 as the "Purple Heart Highway" as a
15 humble gesture of thanks to our troops for the freedoms we
16 enjoy on a daily basis; and

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WHEREAS, In accordance with the words spoken over the
18 fallen at Gettysburg by a former representative from Illinois,
19 let us never forget our fallen heroes; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

1 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate Interstate 80 from its
2 intersection with Interstate 55 to its intersection with South
3 LaGrange Road as the "Purple Heart Highway"; 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 "Purple Heart Highway"; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of
11 Transportation.