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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois General Assembly are
3 saddened to learn of the death of United States Marine Corps
4 Lance Corporal Nickolas Daniels of Elmwood Park, who passed
5 away on November 5, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, L. Cpl. Nickolas Daniels graduated from St.
7 Patrick High School in Chicago in 2004; he excelled in sports,
8 especially football, where he played linebacker and made
9 All-Conference his senior year; and

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WHEREAS, After high school, L. Cpl. Nickolas Daniels went
11 to college for a semester, but found out it was not for him; he
12 then worked several jobs in Elmwood Park and coached football
13 at his high school alma mater, but decided to join the United
14 States Marine Corps because he believed it would help him reach
15 his goal of becoming a police officer; and

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WHEREAS, L. Cpl. Nickolas Daniels served his country with
17 pride as a member of the 3rd Combat Engineer Battalion of the
18 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force out of
19 Twentynine Palms, California; after graduating from basic
20 training in January of 2010, he was sent on his first
21 deployment as a combat engineer on September 4, 2011; and

1 WHEREAS, L. Cpl. Nickolas Daniels is survived by his
2 parents, Greg and Debi; his siblings, Kati, Billy, and Lonny
3 Daniels; and his fiancée, Katie O'Neil; and

4 WHEREAS, L. Cpl. Nickolas Daniels' patriotism and courage
5 will be remembered fondly by his loving family, his fellow
6 soldiers, and the citizens of our grateful nation; therefore,
7 be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
10 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we mourn, along with his family
11 and friends, the passing of United States Marine Corps Lance
12 Corporal Nickolas Daniels; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of L. Cpl. Nickolas Daniels as an
15 expression of our sympathy.