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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to honor those who risk their lives 4 to protect and serve the people of this State; and

5 WHEREAS, At 5:08 AM on January 7, 2015, Norwood Park Fire 6 Department paramedic Chad Martin, along with members of the 7 Norwood Park Fire Department, the Norridge Police Department, 8 the Harwood Heights Police Department, the Elmwood Park Fire 9 Department, and the River Grove Fire Department, responded to a 10 house fire at 7911 West Gunnison Street in Norridge; while 11 traveling to the scene of the fire, the responders were notified that there were trapped victims in the home; and 12

13 WHEREAS, Upon arriving at the scene, Chad Martin and the 14 other responders found fire coming out of windows on 2 sides of the building and heavy smoke on the first and second floors; 15 16 responders immediately began searching for victims, the eventually finding several victims hanging out of windows on 17 the 2nd floor; all available crew members were then called to 18 19 the rear of the house with ground ladders; and

20 WHEREAS, Working as a team, the responders were able to 21 successfully ladder the building and assist victims onto the 22 ladders and down to safety; the victims were handed over to HR0089 -2- LRB099 07136 GRL 27223 r
Chad Martin and the other Emergency Medical Services crew
members to check for injuries or smoke inhalation; the victims
were subsequently transported to local hospitals and were
released later that afternoon; and

5 WHEREAS, After the victims were removed from the building, 6 the responders began to attack the fire with multiple hose 7 lines and elevated master streams; after several hours, the 8 fire was successfully controlled; and

9 WHEREAS, Chad Martin serves as a model of hard work, 10 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of 11 Illinois; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, ΒY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ΟF THE 13 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 14 honor Norwood Park Fire Department paramedic Chad Martin for his work and wish him continued success in the future; and be 15 it further 16

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 18 presented to Chad Martin as a symbol of our esteem and respect.