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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to recognize the 10th anniversary of  
4 Ottawa firefighters, Dana Jennings and Tim Geiger, rescuing  
5 Trista Margherio, from her burning house; and

6 WHEREAS, On May 6, 2006, the Ottawa Fire Department  
7 responded to a house fire at the Margherio home on Franklin  
8 Street, where there was a report of a 3-year-old girl trapped  
9 inside; and

10 WHEREAS, Upon entering the residence, Dana Jennings and Tim  
11 Geiger were forced out by extreme heat conditions; once  
12 outside, both firefighters reentered the structure through the  
13 bedroom windows, where they located the victim; and

14 WHEREAS, After pulling Trista Margherio from the burning  
15 house and performing mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, Dana  
16 Jennings and Tim Geiger transported her to Community Hospital  
17 of Ottawa; and

18 WHEREAS, The actions of Dana Jennings and Tim Geiger  
19 exemplify why Ottawa firefighters are considered some of the  
20 best firefighters in the State; and

1           WHEREAS, Dana Jennings and Tim Geiger were each presented  
2 with a Medal of Gallantry by Fire Chief Steve Haywood during  
3 Illinois Firefighters Memorial Day ceremonies at the Ottawa  
4 Fire Department; therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
6 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
7 recognize the 10th anniversary of Ottawa firefighters, Dana  
8 Jennings and Tim Geiger, rescuing Trista Margherio from her  
9 burning house; and be it further

10           RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
11 presented to Dana Jennings and Tim Geiger as a symbol of our  
12 respect and esteem.