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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General  
3 Assembly pays honor and respect to those individuals who have  
4 given their lives in service to their community; and

5 WHEREAS, Illinois State Trooper Corey Steven Thompsen of  
6 rural St. Joseph was killed in the line of duty on October 18,  
7 2024; and

8 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen began his career in law  
9 enforcement after graduating from the Southwestern Police  
10 Academy as part of Session 137, and he initially worked with  
11 the Vermilion County Metropolitan Enforcement Group (VMEG); he  
12 then attended the Illinois State Police Academy as a member of  
13 Cadet Class 130 from 2019 to 2020; he was assigned to Illinois  
14 State Police District 10 in Pesotum; he joined the Illinois  
15 State Police Motorcycle Enforcement Bureau in 2022; he was  
16 assigned to Central Special Operations Group (SOG) Fatal 4  
17 Team in 2023, serving Troop 7; and

18 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen was proud of serving with the  
19 Illinois State Police; he was especially proud of being part  
20 of the motor unit, viewing his colleagues as a second family  
21 and a tight-knit group of friends; during his service, he  
22 participated in several escort details across the State that

1 included the president, the vice president, memorial services,  
2 and charity bike rides; and

3 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen was a member of the Fraternal  
4 Order of Police (FOP) Troopers Lodge 41, the Alpha Phi Sigma  
5 national criminal justice society, and the Phi Theta Kappa  
6 honor society; and

7 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen was a family man who was always  
8 there when anyone needed him, a respected member of the  
9 Illinois State Police, and a friend to many; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
11 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
12 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate Interstate 74 Mile  
13 91 as the "Trooper Corey S. Thompsen Memorial Highway"; and be  
14 it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation  
16 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with  
17 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs  
18 giving notice of the name "Trooper Corey S. Thompsen Memorial  
19 Highway"; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
21 presented to the family of Trooper Thompsen, the Mayor of St.

1 Joseph, and the Secretary of Transportation.