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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 truly great individuals who
4 have served our country and, in doing so, have made the
5 ultimate sacrifice for our nation; and

6 WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Kyle B. Wehrly, the son of
7 Reverend Peter Wehrly and Nita Cross, was born in Galesburg;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, SFC Wehrly joined the Illinois Army National
10 Guard on September 28, 1995; he graduated from Galesburg High
11 School in 1996 and studied at Spoon River Community College
12 and Carl Sandburg College; he married Janet Kay Hays on May 8,
13 1999; and

14 WHEREAS, SFC Wehrly was a member of Bethel Baptist Church
15 and an Illinois High School Association (IHSA) soccer referee;
16 he enjoyed softball, hunting, fishing, golfing, tennis, and
17 woodworking in his free time; and

18 WHEREAS, SFC Wehrly bravely served in the Illinois Army
19 National Guard with the 123rd Field Artillery Regiment; and

20 WHEREAS, SFC Wehrly was killed in action on November 3,

1 2005 in Ashraf, Iraq; and

2 WHEREAS, During his service, SFC Wehrly was awarded the
3 Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Army Achievement Medal, Army
4 Good Conduct Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal,
5 National Defense Service Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global
6 War on Terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Service Medal,
7 Armed Forces Reserve Medal, NCO Professional Development
8 Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Illinois Long and Honorable
9 Service Medal, Illinois Military Attendance Ribbon, Illinois
10 State Active Duty Ribbon, Army Combat Action Badge, Expert
11 Rifle Badge, Expert Pistol Badge, and Expert Field Artillery
12 Badge; and

13 WHEREAS, SFC Wehrly is survived by his wife, Janet; his
14 daughter, Kylee Kay (Wehrly) Brody; his father, Reverend Peter
15 (Susie) Miester Wehrly; his mother, Nita (Rick) Cross; his
16 grandmothers, Betty Gardner and June Wehrly; his brother,
17 Lance J. Wehrly; and his sisters, Victoria, Jaquita, and
18 Shanna Wehrly; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
20 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
21 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the portion of
22 U.S. Route 150 within Galesburg city limits as "SFC Kyle
23 Wehrly Memorial Highway"; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
2 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
3 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
4 giving notice of the name "SFC Kyle Wehrly Memorial Highway";
5 and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
7 presented to the family of SFC Wehrly and the Secretary of the
8 Illinois Department of Transportation.