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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General  
3 Assembly pay respect to the life of Eldon C. "Twirp" Williams  
4 Jr. by honoring him with a memorial highway in Godfrey; and

5 WHEREAS, Eldon Williams Jr. passed away on October 16, 2018  
6 at the age of 87; he was born on August 5, 1931 in Alton in  
7 Madison County to Eldon C. Williams Sr. and Patricia McGuiggan;  
8 he married Jackie Wohlert on July 25, 1991; and

9 WHEREAS, Eldon Williams Jr. worked in Godfrey in Madison  
10 County as the tax assessor for 40 years; he was a realtor at  
11 Landmark Realty and an Air Force veteran; he served as a member  
12 on the Godfrey Village Board and was a member of St. Peter and  
13 Paul Catholic Church; and

14 WHEREAS, Eldon Williams Jr. was preceded in death by his  
15 son, Jonathan Williams; and

16 WHEREAS, Eldon Williams Jr. is survived by his wife, Jackie  
17 Williams; his brother, Terry Williams; his daughters, Jill  
18 Williams, Joy Phillippi, Jan Williams, JoEllen Archerd, Jean  
19 Ann Parks, and Jenny Kadow; his stepchildren, Doug Wohlert and  
20 Becky Branum; several nieces and nephews; 11 grandchildren; and  
21 14 great-grandchildren; and

1           WHEREAS, Eldon Williams Jr. was not only loved dearly by  
2 his friends and family but was also an esteemed citizen and  
3 respected member of Madison County, who had his life tragically  
4 taken before his time; therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
6 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
7 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the portion of  
8 Illinois Route 111 along Godfrey Road from Ramona Place to  
9 Crestwood Drive as the "Eldon 'Twirp' Williams Memorial  
10 Highway"; and be it further

11           RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation  
12 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with  
13 State and federal highway regulations, appropriate plaques or  
14 signs giving notice of the name of the "Eldon 'Twirp' Williams  
15 Memorial Highway"; and be it further

16           RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
17 presented to the family of Eldon Williams Jr., the Secretary of  
18 the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Mayor of the  
19 Village of Godfrey.