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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Sergeant Brad Marsh of the
4 Naperville Police Department for being recognized as Police
5 Officer of the Year by the Exchange Club of Naperville in June
6 of 2019; and

7 WHEREAS, Sergeant Marsh was selected for this award for his
8 service to the residents of Naperville and in recognition of
9 his outstanding act of bravery on January 12, 2019, when he
10 heroically saved the life of an 11-year-old boy; and

11 WHEREAS, On January 12, 2019, Naperville first-responders
12 worked together to rescue a young boy who was trapped in a
13 partially frozen retention pond after the boy had fallen
14 through the ice and became stuck in the mud; the child had been
15 skating in the retention pond prior to authorities receiving a
16 9-1-1 call of a person being trapped under the ice in the
17 middle of the pond; and

18 WHEREAS, Sergeant Marsh tossed a life ring to the boy and
19 helped him get to safety; the child's life was saved, and he
20 was taken to Edward Hospital to receive medical treatment; and

21 WHEREAS, Hoping to prevent any further occurrences, the

1 Naperville Police Department used this incident to give local
2 residents a warning that skating is prohibited in any pond or
3 lake area that is not clearly marked for skating; and

4 WHEREAS, The brave acts of first responders and the prompt
5 response of Sergeant Marsh ultimately led to the successful
6 rescue of the child; and

7 WHEREAS, Sergeant Marsh was selected by the Exchange Club
8 for this distinguished honor for this rescue and his ongoing
9 efforts to help establish a Crisis Intervention Team in
10 Naperville, which seeks to better prepare law enforcement
11 agencies for incidents involving victims struggling with
12 mental health issues; therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
14 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
15 we congratulate Sergeant Brad Marsh for being recognized as
16 Police Officer of the Year by the Exchange Club of Naperville
17 for the bravery and courage he has exemplified as an officer in
18 the Naperville Police Department; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to Sergeant Marsh as a sign of our great respect and
21 appreciation for his self-less acts that help protect and serve
22 his community.