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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,
 6 2018 at the age of 87; he was born on August 5, 1931 in Alton
 7 in Madison County to Eldon C. Williams Sr. and Patricia
 8 McGuiggan; 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
- WHEREAS, Eldon Williams Jr. is survived by his wife,

 Jackie Williams; his brother, Terry Williams; his daughters,

 Jill Williams, Joy Phillippi, Jan Williams, JoEllen Archerd,

 Jean Ann Parks, and Jenny Kadow; his stepchildren, Doug

 Wohlert and Becky Branum; several nieces and nephews; 11

 grandchildren; and 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

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- 3 respected member of Madison County, who had his life
- 4 tragically taken before his time; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDRED SECOND 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 Stamper Lane to
- 9 Crestwood Drive as the "Eldon 'Twirp' Williams Memorial
- 10 Highway"; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
- 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 the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Mayor of
- 19 the Village of Godfrey.