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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, It is appropriate to remember the many sacrifices and contributions to the cause of freedom made by the outstanding men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces;

6 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. John Stein was born in Des Moines, Iowa
7 to Jay and Hazel (Fick) Stein on July 8, 1963; he married
8 Barbara Nelson in Macomb on July 9, 1983; he grew up in the
9 Macomb area and moved away in 1983; he graduated from the
10 Rochester Institute of Technology in 1985; he received his
11 master's degree from the University of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Stein was commissioned into the U.S. Army and transferred to the U.S. Air Force; during his military career, he flew 3,901 hours; he volunteered for the rescue mission he was flying when he was killed in Afghanistan on March 23, 2003; and

WHEREAS, During his military career, Lt. Col. Stein received a Meritorious Service Medal, an Air Medal, an Aerial Achievement Medal, an Air Force Commendation Medal, an Army Commendation Medal, and an Army Achievement Medal; and

21 WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Stein was preceded in death by his

- 1 grandparents; and
- WHEREAS, Lt. Col. Stein's passing has been deeply felt by
- 3 many, especially his wife, Barbara Nelson Stein; his father,
- 4 Jay W. Stein; his mother, Hazel Henry; his two sons, Doug and
- 5 Tim Stein; his daughter, Erin Stein Jones; his sisters, Holly
- 6 Stein, Navida (James McLaughlin) Stein, and April Stein; his
- 7 six nieces; and his two nephews; therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
- 9 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF
- 10 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the
- portion of Old Highway 136 from E. 950th St. to E. 750th St.
- 12 between Macomb and Colchester as the "Lt. Col. John Stein
- 13 Memorial Highway"; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
- is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
- 16 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
- 17 giving notice of the name of "Lt. Col. John Stein Memorial
- 18 Highway"; and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 20 presented to the Secretary of Transportation and the family of
- 21 Lt. Col. Stein.