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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death in Iraq of
4 U.S. Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Gary T. Rovinski of Roseville
5 on Monday, June 5, 2006; and

6 WHEREAS, Petty Officer Rovinski was a member of the U.S.
7 Navy Seabees; he served as an equipment operator assigned to
8 Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 25 based at Fort McCoy,
9 Wisconsin; he had been in Iraq since March; and

10 WHEREAS, This was his second time serving in the military;
11 he was in the U.S. Army during the first Gulf War as an eye
12 specialist; he spent eight years in the U.S. Army and served as
13 the non-commissioned officer in charge of the optometry section
14 at Fort Lewis, Washington; he was an expert with the pistol and
15 rifle and earned many medals from both the U.S. Army and Navy;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, He was from Mountain Top, Pennsylvania, and earned
18 a bachelor's degree from the College of Misericordia, where he
19 majored in studio art and specialized in art therapy; he earned
20 a master's degree at Miami University in Ohio; and

21 WHEREAS, Gary is remembered by his friends and family as a
22 man who loved the Lord, his family, his country, and his fellow
23 man; and

24 WHEREAS, The passing of Gary T. Rovinski has been deeply
25 felt by many, especially his wife, Jenifer Rovinski, and his
26 two children; therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
28 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
29 we mourn the passing of Petty Officer 1st Class Gary T.

1 Rovinski, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family,
2 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Petty Officer
4 Rovinski and his willingness to serve his country, which led to
5 him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to his family as an expression of our sincerest
8 condolences.