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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Marine Lance Corporal Hector Ramos of Aurora died in a helicopter crash during a desert sandstorm near the town of Ar Rutbah, Iraq, on January 26, 2005; he was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Corps Base Hawaii; and

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WHEREAS, Hector was born December 9, 1984 in Aurora; although the notion had been in his head for years, he first decided to join the Marines on September 11, 2001 after the terrorist attacks; he joined the summer after he graduated in 2003 from East Aurora High School; and

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WHEREAS, In high school he was always a leader; he was a talented artist, president of the DECA marketing club, starred in a number of school plays and always wanted to help other students; he was a proud Marine and returned to his school to tell students of his experiences in the Marines; and

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WHEREAS, He will be remembered as a smiling, friendly, outgoing, creative, talented, involved, fun-loving, and proud young man; and

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WHEREAS, He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Manuel Becker, and his uncle, Hector Becker; and

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WHEREAS, He is survived by his mother, Nancy Ramos; his father, Aurelio Ramos; his brothers, Noah and Isiah Ramos; his uncles, Joel (Nina) Becker and Manuel (Gloria) Becker; his aunt, Tawney Becker; his grandmother, Irene Becker; and his fiancée, Jessica Jimenez; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that together with his family, friends, fellow members of the United States armed

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1 forces, and the citizens of this State and this great nation,
2 we mourn the passing of Marine Lance Corporal Hector Ramos and
3 we extend to his family our sincerest condolences; and be it
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5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to his family as an expression of our deepest
7 sympathy.