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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois General Assembly wish  
3 to acknowledge the life of State Trooper Howard Cleff, who  
4 passed away on February 1, 2000; and

5 WHEREAS, Howard Cleff was born in 1914 in Birds, Illinois;  
6 he was hired by the Illinois State Police in 1941, where he  
7 attended the second class for motorcycle troopers at the  
8 Academy; he served for thirty-two years, receiving superior  
9 ratings every year; and

10 WHEREAS, He received the Sharp Shooter Award several times  
11 during his career, a commendation for apprehending a "ten most  
12 wanted" fugitive during the 1960s Cairo riots, and received a  
13 \$100 war bond for making the suggestion to paint white stripes  
14 on the shoulders of Illinois highways; and

15 WHEREAS, Howard Cleff retired from the Illinois State  
16 Police as a motorcycle trooper second class in September of  
17 1973; and

18 WHEREAS, Howard Cleff, Badge number 212, is remembered as  
19 one of the best liked Illinois State Policemen; therefore, be  
20 it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
2           NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE  
3           SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we remember the life and career  
4           of Howard Cleff and designate that portion of Route 250 from  
5           the Wabash River to Lawrenceville as the Howard Cleff Memorial  
6           Highway; and be it further

7           RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation  
8           is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with  
9           State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs  
10          giving notice of the designation of that portion of Route 250  
11          from the Wabash River to Lawrenceville as the Howard Cleff  
12          Memorial Highway; and be it further

13          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14          presented to the family of Howard Cleff and to the Secretary of  
15          the Illinois Department of Transportation.