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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 of the Illinois WHEREAS, The members House of 3 Representatives wish to express their sincere condolences to 4 the family and friends of United States Army Private First 5 Class William "Will" Newgard of Arlington Heights, who was 6 killed in action on December 29, 2006, while serving his 7 country in Iraq; and 8 WHEREAS, William Newgard was born November 27, 1986, he 9 attended Thomas Middle School and John Hersey High School in 10 Arlington Heights; and 11 WHEREAS, He served with the 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, 12 13 Schweinfurt, Germany; and 14 WHEREAS, Serving in Iraq, William Newgard drove an armored 15 Humvee that transported high-ranking U.S. Army officials to meetings and inspections; he also had completed special 16 training to qualify as an expert marksman; and 17 18 WHEREAS, Private First Class William Newgard will be honored with burial at Arlington National Cemetery, a location 19

that held a special spot in his heart; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, William "Will" Newgard is survived by his parents,
- J. Richard and Kaki Newgard; his sister, Holly; his girlfriend,
- 3 Samm Gercken; and his friend, Josh Munnell; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 5 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 6 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of Pfc.
- 7 William Newgard; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Private First Class
- 9 William Newgard and his willingness to serve his country, which
- 10 led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 12 presented to the family of Pfc. William Newgard as an
- expression of our sympathy.