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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to recognize Tilton Police
4 Lieutenant David Cornett for saving the life of Amanda Burton
5 during a house fire on February 8, 2007; and

6 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Cornett has been an officer since 1996;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Tilton officials received the call of a fire
9 before 1 a.m. on February 8; reports indicated that a teenager
10 was trapped in her bedroom in the basement; and

11 WHEREAS, Upon Lieutenant Cornett's arrival at the scene, he
12 requested that a bystander find a pry bar; while waiting for
13 assistance he ordered the girl to get down on the floor to aid
14 in her breathing; and

15 WHEREAS, With the arrival of the pry bar, Lieutenant
16 Cornett began chipping away at the door; a few moments passed
17 and he broke the door open and Amanda shot out; and

18 WHEREAS, Upon the arrival of the fire department all the
19 occupants of the house were safe, including Amanda; Lieutenant
20 Cornett was commended by Virgil Sheets, chairman of the police

1 commissioners, and the Tilton Village Board for his quick
2 thinking and outstanding job; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
5 commend Lieutenant David Cornett on being a hero, thinking of
6 others before himself, and showing a willingness to risk his
7 own life to save another; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to Lieutenant David Cornett as a symbol of our
10 respect.