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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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- WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate United States Air Force Technical Sergeant William E. Kuehl on his retirement; and
- WHEREAS, Technical Sergeant William E. Kuehl was born on July 20, 1968 in Jacksonville; he married Amy Young on December 7, 1991; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Returning to Illinois after high school, Sergeant
  10 Kuehl entered the Air Force in July 1987 and attended Basic
  11 Military Training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas; upon his
  12 graduation he was given a direct duty assignment to the 2853rd
  13 Civil Engineering Squadron at Robins AFB, Georgia and began
  14 training as an Interior Electrical Systems Apprentice; and
  - WHEREAS, In September 1991 he was assigned to the 10th CES at Royal Air Force Alconbury in England where he worked as a Joint Services Interior Intrusion Detection Systems (JSIIDS) Specialist; he was named 10th CES Airman of the Year; in 1993 he was deployed to Aviano Air Base in Italy in support of Operation Deny Flight, over Bosnia, providing support for U.S. Marine and Air Force air crews; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Technical Sergeant Kuehl was deployed to Dhahran,
- 2 Saudi Arabia in support of Operation Desert Storm and also to
- 3 Port Au Prince, Haiti in support of Operation New Horizons,
- 4 building schoolhouses for Haitian children; and
- 5 WHEREAS, In September 1994 Technical Sergeant Kuehl was
- 6 reassigned to the 12th CES at Randolph AFB, Texas; in August
- 7 1998, he was reassigned to the 65th CES at Lajes AB, Azores
- 8 where he worked as the Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge of
- 9 Electric Shop; in May 2000 he was reassigned to the 81st CES at
- 10 Keesler AFB, Mississippi, where he worked as NCOIC of the
- 11 electrical sections for Zones 1 and 2; and
- 12 WHEREAS, In December 2002 TSqt. Kuehl was reassigned to the
- 13 375th CES at Scott Air Force Base, where he worked in the
- 14 Electric Shop as the NCOIC of Interior Electrical Systems and
- 15 also as Quality Assurance Evaluator and Electrical
- 16 Planner/Estimator for the Maintenance Engineering Section; he
- 17 deployed to Baghdad, Iraq and Iraqi Military Academy Al
- 18 Rustimiyah in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in September
- of 2004; he also deployed to Ali Al Salem, Kuwait in May of
- 20 2006 in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom; and
- 21 WHEREAS, TSgt. Kuehl has received many awards and
- 22 decorations during his career, including the Air Force
- 23 Commendation Medal with 4 devices, the Air Force Achievement

- 1 Medal with 2 devices, the AF Outstanding Unit Award with 7
- devices, the AF Good Conduct Medal with 6 devices, the National
- 3 Defense Service Medal with 1 device, the Iraq Campaign Ribbon,
- 4 the Southwest Asia Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism
- 5 Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
- 6 with Gold Border, the AF Overseas Ribbon Short, the AF Overseas
- 7 Ribbon Long, the AF Longevity Service with 3 devices, and the
- 8 AF Training Ribbon; and
- 9 WHEREAS, TSqt. Kuehl will remain in southern Illinois with
- 10 his wife, Amy, and his daughter, Emma, during his retirement;
- 11 therefore, be it
- 12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 13 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 14 congratulate United States Air Force Technical Sergeant
- William E. Kuehl on his retirement and thank him for his long
- 16 and valiant service to his country; and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy be presented to United
- 18 States Air Force Technical Sergeant William E. Kuehl as an
- 19 expression of our esteem and respect.