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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are deeply saddened to learn of the death of 4 Senior Airman Bradley R. Smith of Troy, who passed away on 5 January 3, 2010; and

6 WHEREAS, Senior Airman Smith was born on September 11, 7 1985, to Gary and Paula Smith of Troy; he was married to 8 Tiffany Smith; he was father to Chloe, and brother to Ryan; and

9 WHEREAS, Senior Airman Smith was stationed with the 10th 10 Air Support Operations Squadron out of Fort Riley, Kansas; he 11 was killed while on patrol in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan; 12 while under fire, he and another soldier, were attempting to 13 reach those that had been injured; it was during this heroic 14 act that he lost his life; and

15 WHEREAS, Senior Airman Smith was posthumously awarded the 16 Silver Star on September 8, 2012, by Major General Lawrence 17 Wells, Commander 9th Air Force; the Silver Star is the 3rd 18 highest military combat decoration, awarded for gallantry in 19 action against an enemy of the United States; and

20 WHEREAS, Senior Airman Smith's selfless actions in the line 21 of duty has brought great credit upon himself, his family, and HR1228 -2- LRB097 22952 MST 71757 r the State of Illinois; and

2 WHEREAS, Senior Airman Smith is survived by his wife, 3 Tiffany; his daughter, Chloe Smith; his parents, Gary and Paula 4 Smith; and his brother, Ryan Smith; therefore, be it

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5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 6 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 7 we mourn the passing of Senior Airman Smith, and we extend our 8 sincere condolences to his family, friends, and all who knew 9 and loved him; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 11 presented to the family of Senior Airman Smith as an expression 12 of our deepest sympathy.