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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois House of 3 Representatives pay honor and respect to the truly great 4 individuals who have served our country and have dedicated 5 their lives to defending our nation's freedom; and

6 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 7 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lance 8 Corporal Luther Baud, who passed away honorably on Memorial 9 Day, May 27, 2013 in Sacramento, California; his body was 10 escorted home by his fellow marines on June 8, 2013 where he was greeted by his hometown friends and family; and 11

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal James Luther Baud was born on February 28, 1992 in Robinson; he graduated from Oblong High School in May of 2010 and joined the Marine Corps delayed entry program on March 2, 2010; on March 11, 2011 he graduated from Basic Training in San Diego, California; and

WHEREAS, In March 2011, Private First Class James Luther Baud reported to the School of Infantry at Camp Pendleton in California where he trained as a Basic Infantry Rifleman; following the School of Infantry, Private First Class Baud reported to the Light Armored Vehicle Crewmen course at Camp Pendleton and received a Military Occupational Specialty of

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- 1 0313 Light Armored Vehicle Crewman; in July of 2011, Private
- 2 First Class Baud reported to the 1st Light Armored
- 3 Reconnaissance Battalion to participate in pre-deployment
- 4 training; he was promoted to Lance Corporal on September 1,
- 5 2011; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Baud deployed with the 1st Light
- 7 Armored Vehicle Reconnaissance Charlie Company Weapons Platoon
- 8 to Afghanistan as an Infantry Rifleman from October 2011 to May
- 9 2012 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Baud will be forever remembered for
- 11 his kind, compassionate heart, his love for God, family, and
- friends, and his patriotism and bravery; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Baud will be dearly missed by his
- 14 mother, Thelma Wall; his stepfather, Monty Wall; his brothers,
- 15 Scott, Jr., Aaron, and Cameron Baud; his father, Scott Baud,
- 16 Sr.; his 2 closest friends, Jesse and Christian Mier; his
- 17 fellow soldiers; and the citizens of a grateful nation;
- 18 therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 20 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 21 we mourn, along with his family, friends, and the members of a
- 22 grateful nation, the passing of United States Marine Corps

- 1 Lance Corporal James Luther Baud; and be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 3 presented to the family of Lance Corporal James Luther Baud as
- a symbol of our deepest sympathy.