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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 of Illinois WHEREAS, The members the House of 3 Representatives wish to honor the passing of Fox Lake Police 4 Department Lieutenant Charles Joseph Gliniewicz, who 5 killed in the line of duty on September 1, 2015; and 6 WHEREAS, Lt. Gliniewicz, affectionately known as "G.I. 7 Joe" by members of the community, was born on August 25, 1963 8 in Libertyville; he was raised in Antioch and graduated from 9 Antioch High School in 1981; and 10 WHEREAS, Following high school, Lt. Gliniewicz enlisted in the United States Army, where he was awarded numerous 11 commendations during his active and reserve duty career that 12 13 spanned 27 years; and 14 WHEREAS, In 1985, Lt. Gliniewicz began his career with the Fox Lake Police Department, moving quickly through the ranks; 15 16 he soon took over the Department's Police Explorers program; 17 and 18 WHEREAS, Lt. Gliniewicz served with Explorer Post 300 since 1987, where his passion inspired many young people onto

successful futures; serving alongside his wife and others, Post

300 experienced great success at Explorer competitions

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- 1 throughout the country, known for their exceptional
- 2 preparedness for law enforcement careers; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Lt. Gliniewicz was the loving and dedicated
- 4 husband of his wife, Melodie, since 1989; the two, who
- 5 complemented and completed each other, always made time for
- 6 their weekly date night despite the rigors of raising their
- 7 sons; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Lt. Gliniewicz was the father of 4 sons, Joseph,
- 9 Donald, Jeffrey, and David; 2 of them followed their father
- 10 into public service careers and all made their father proud as
- 11 he reveled in his most important life role as their father; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Lt. Gliniewicz always sought to improve his life
- and others through education, which led him to complete his
- 14 Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice in 2006 to better serve
- 15 his community as a police officer and the Explorers as a
- 16 leader; and
- WHEREAS, On the morning of September 1, 2015, Lt.
- 18 Gliniewicz responded to a suspicious situation involving 3
- 19 suspects and lost his life in the course of performing his
- 20 duties; therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

- 1 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 2 honor the life and service of Lt. Charles Joseph Gliniewicz,
- 3 whose dedication to his community, his family, and public
- 4 service will never be forgotten; and be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 6 presented to Lt. Gliniewicz's widow, Melodie Gliniewicz, as a
- 7 symbol of our esteem and respect.