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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General
3 Assembly pays honor and respect to those individuals who have
4 served our country and, in doing so, have made the ultimate
5 sacrifice for our nation; and

6 WHEREAS, Ronald E. Powers was born on June 12, 1948 and was
7 raised in Macoupin County; and

8 WHEREAS, Ronald Powers joined the United States Army and
9 served as a Private First Class with the 9th Infantry Division,
10 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry, Combat Support Company; and

11 WHEREAS, PFC Powers began his tour of duty in South Vietnam
12 on September 5, 1968; and

13 WHEREAS, On October 4, 1968, PFC Powers was killed in
14 action while serving in the Dinh Tuong Province in South
15 Vietnam; and

16 WHEREAS, PFC Powers was awarded the Purple Heart, the
17 Bronze Star, the National Defense Medal, the Vietnam Service
18 Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal; his name can be found on
19 the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Panel 41w, line 7; therefore,
20 be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
3 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate Illinois Route 16 from its
4 intersection with Illinois Route 111 to its intersection with
5 US Route 67 as the "PFC Ronald E. Powers Memorial Highway"; and
6 be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
8 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
9 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
10 giving notice of the name "PFC Ronald E. Powers Memorial
11 Highway"; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of PFC Powers and the Secretary of the
14 Illinois Department of Transportation.