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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of 4 Taylorville Police Officer Gary Jones, who passed away on March 5 3, 2019 surrounded by his loved ones; and

6 WHEREAS, Officer Jones was born to Robert and Pamela Jones 7 on August 20, 1971; he graduated from Taylorville High School 8 in 1989 and served in the U.S. Army and Army National Guard; he 9 married Regina "Gina" Garren at St. Mary's Catholic Church in 10 Taylorville on July 2, 1993; and

11 WHEREAS, Officer Jones bravely served with the Taylorville 12 Police Department in the town in which he was raised and loved 13 so dearly; and

14 WHEREAS, Officer Jones was a firearms enthusiast and a 15 member of the NRA; he was a gunsmith, master firearms 16 instructor, and a concealed-carry instructor; and

WHEREAS, Officer Jones was active in the community; he was a member of the Police Benevolent and Protective Association and St. Mary's Catholic Church; and

20 WHEREAS, Officer Jones was a loving father and husband; and

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1 WHEREAS, Officer Jones is survived by his wife, Gina; his 2 children, Logan, Kaylee, Tanner, and Dylan; his parents; his 3 father-in-law, Harry Garren; his siblings, Stephanie (Kevin) 4 Monahan, Kim Jones, and Jacob (Heather) Jones; and several 5 nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 7 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 8 we mourn the passing of Taylorville Police Officer Gary Jones 9 and extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and 10 all who knew and loved him; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 12 presented to the family of Officer Jones as an expression of 13 our deepest sympathy.