



HR0401

LRB101 12510 ALS 60953 r

1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2

WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to commend St. Charles Fire Department Captain Darin Peterson on his heroic actions; and

3

4

5

WHEREAS, On the evening of July 4, 2018, Captain Peterson was attending a fireworks display in Sheridan when the weather turned severe; lightning struck a tree approximately 30 feet away from him; and

6

7

8

9

WHEREAS, After the lightning strike, Captain Peterson noticed an adult male on the ground; he rushed to the man's aid and immediately began CPR before being joined by a paramedic; the 18-year-old man was in cardiac arrest as a result of the lightning strike; and

10

11

12

13

14

WHEREAS, Captain Peterson then heard a scream and noticed that a second individual, a four-year-old girl, had also been injured in the lightning strike; he went to the aid of the girl while the paramedic continued CPR on the man; and

15

16

17

18

WHEREAS, Captain Peterson found the girl unconscious; she was not breathing and did not have a pulse; he immediately started CPR and, after ten to 15 minutes of CPR, the girl began to have spontaneous respirations and a pulse; when the

19

20

21

1 ambulance arrived, he remained with the girl while she was
2 transported to Ottawa Hospital; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
4 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we commend St. Charles Fire Department Captain Darin Peterson
6 on his heroic actions that saved the lives of two people on
7 July 4, 2018; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to Captain Peterson as an expression of our esteem
10 and respect.