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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General 2 3 Assembly pays honor and respect to the truly great individuals 4 who have served our country; and 5 WHEREAS, Sheriff Roger Mulch was born on December 25, 1957 6 and passed away on April 20, 2022; and 7 WHEREAS, Sheriff Mulch served with the Jefferson County 8 Sheriff's Office from 1980 to 2014 and had a law enforcement 9 career that spanned over 40 years from 1980 to 2022; and 10 WHEREAS, Sheriff Mulch served in numerous capacities 11 within the sheriff's office, including as a deputy, in 12 investigations, and as chief deputy; he then ran for sheriff 13 and served three terms; and WHEREAS, In 2014, Sheriff Mulch was elected president of 14 the Illinois Sheriffs' Association; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Sheriff Mulch brought the Drug Abuse Resistance 17 Education (D.A.R.E.) program to Jefferson County, which helped the entire community, including many children and teens; and 18

WHEREAS, After retirement, Sheriff Mulch remained active,

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- 1 working and serving in the Chicago area from 2013 to 2022; and
- WHEREAS, Sheriff Mulch leaves behind his wife, Shelly,
- 3 their four-year-old daughter, Avery, and siblings, Kylee and
- 4 Klarc; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
- 7 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the section of
- 8 Interstate 64 in Jefferson County as the "Sheriff Roger Mulch
- 9 Memorial Highway"; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
- is requested to erect, at suitable locations consistent with
- 12 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
- 13 giving notice of the name of the "Sheriff Roger Mulch Memorial
- 14 Highway"; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 16 presented to the family of Sheriff Mulch and the Secretary of
- 17 Transportation.