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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, During the COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 to 2021, the
3 Illinois House of Representatives has, for healthcare and
4 distancing reasons, convened its active session work in the
5 Bank of Springfield Center; and

6 WHEREAS, During this time, the in-person segment of the
7 staff support of the House has been conducted by a skeleton
8 crew of tireless men and women; this tiny group of individuals
9 has performed work far beyond the call of duty; and

10 WHEREAS, While all of the in-person staffers of the
11 Illinois House deserve special commendation for their labor,
12 one individual deserves special notice for their actions on
13 Sunday, January 10, 2021; and

14 WHEREAS, On that day, the Illinois House having reconvened
15 in the Bank of Springfield Center, then-Representative Darren
16 Bailey needed immediate attention; and

17 WHEREAS, Because of the physical setup of the temporary
18 Illinois House, everyone was far apart from everyone else;
19 fortunately, one of the few people physically close to
20 then-Representative Bailey was Assistant Doorkeeper Wayne
21 Padget; and

1 WHEREAS, Staying calm and focused during a time of
2 confusion, Assistant Doorkeeper Padget swiftly retrieved an
3 automated external defibrillator (AED) device for immediate
4 use; under a different course of events and if this AED needed
5 to have been used, this action could have saved the life of a
6 State representative; and

7 WHEREAS, When this incident occurred, many around
8 Representative Bailey called for immediate medical assistance
9 from trained emergency responders, and a crew from EMT
10 Ambulance quickly responded to the call; Assistant Doorkeeper
11 Padget directed the ambulance staff to the stricken lawmaker
12 so he could be placed on a stretcher for transport to a place
13 of medical care and assistance; and

14 WHEREAS, Then-Representative Bailey has served out the
15 final days of his House term with the best wishes of his former
16 colleagues, and he has moved on to a new term in the Senate of
17 the General Assembly of the State of Illinois; therefore, be
18 it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
20 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
21 we commend Assistant Doorkeeper Wayne Padget of the Illinois
22 House of Representatives for his quick thinking and decisive

1 action on the House floor on January 10, 2021 and for his
2 unflinching dedication to the Illinois House of
3 Representatives; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That we also remember the work of our former
5 colleague, State Representative Joann Osmond, who made the
6 posting of AEDs in public places a key focus of her legislative
7 work in the Illinois House, culminating in the passage of
8 Public Act 93-910, the Physical Fitness Facility Medical
9 Emergency Preparedness Act, in 2004; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to Assistant Doorkeeper Padgett as an expression of
12 our esteem and respect.