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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to recognize Officer Rebecca Hayes and  
4 Officer Chad Vargas of the Oswego Police Department for their  
5 lifesaving actions on June 12, 2022; and

6           WHEREAS, On Sunday, June 12, a car heading north on Harvey  
7 Road drove through a stop sign and struck a dump truck that was  
8 hauling a trailer while heading east on Wolf's Crossing in  
9 Oswego; and

10           WHEREAS, Officer Hayes and Officer Vargas responded to the  
11 crash, finding the car in the intersection with its engine on  
12 fire; and

13           WHEREAS, Although the passenger could exit the vehicle,  
14 Officer Hayes ran to and around the vehicle to rescue the  
15 driver while Officer Vargas extinguished the flames; and

16           WHEREAS, Officer Hayes and Officer Vargas moved both  
17 individuals away from the car and performed lifesaving  
18 measures as well as first aid until paramedics arrived at the  
19 scene and transported the driver and passenger to the  
20 hospital; and

1           WHEREAS, Officer Hayes and Officer Vargas were recognized  
2 by the Oswego Police Department for their heroic response,  
3 ensuring the events of that day did not get worse; and

4           WHEREAS, The Oswego Police Department stated the driver  
5 was charged with driving under the influence (DUI), among  
6 other charges, and cited the incident online to urge people to  
7 not drink and drive; therefore, be it

8           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
9 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
10 we recognize and thank Officer Rebecca Hayes and Officer Chad  
11 Vargas of the Oswego Police Department for their quick and  
12 decisive actions and their commitment to save lives and  
13 protect overall public safety; and be it further

14           RESOLVED, That we recognize the bravery and sacrifice of  
15 police officers across the State of Illinois who so often  
16 demonstrate their willingness to put their lives at risk to  
17 protect our communities; and be it further

18           RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
19 presented to Officer Rebecca Hayes, Officer Chad Vargas, and  
20 Chief Jeffrey R. Burgner of the Oswego Police Department as an  
21 expression of our esteem and respect.