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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General
3 Assembly pays honor and respect to those individuals who have
4 served our country and, in doing so, have made the ultimate
5 sacrifice for our nation; and

6 WHEREAS, Ronald E. Powers was born on June 12, 1948 and was
7 raised in Macoupin County; and

8 WHEREAS, Ronald Powers joined the United States Army and
9 served as a Private First Class with the 9th Infantry
10 Division, 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry, Combat Support
11 Company; and

12 WHEREAS, PFC Powers began his tour of duty in South
13 Vietnam on September 5, 1968; and

14 WHEREAS, On October 4, 1968, PFC Powers was killed in
15 action while serving in the Dinh Tuong Province in South
16 Vietnam; and

17 WHEREAS, PFC Powers was awarded the Purple Heart, the
18 Bronze Star, the National Defense Medal, the Vietnam Service
19 Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal; his name can be found on
20 the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Panel 41w, line 7; therefore,

1 be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF
4 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate Illinois
5 Route 16 from its intersection with Illinois Route 111 to its
6 intersection with US Route 67 as the "PFC Ronald E. Powers
7 Memorial Highway"; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
9 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
10 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
11 giving notice of the name "PFC Ronald E. Powers Memorial
12 Highway"; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
14 presented to the family of PFC Powers and the Secretary of the
15 Illinois Department of Transportation.