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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, On the morning of July 12, 2022, Conner Rowcliff and Keegan Virden were involved in a car accident in the city of Assumption while on their way to weight-lifting for Central A&M; and

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WHEREAS, Both Conner Rowcliff and Keegan Virden lost their lives in the accident; and

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WHEREAS, Conner Rowcliff was a 16 year-old junior at Central A&M, where he participated in football, basketball, and track for the school; he was a summer worker for Assumption during 2022 and enjoyed riding four wheelers, going to the beach, and spending time with family and friends; and

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WHEREAS, Conner Rowcliff was a great, all-American kid who was known as a hard worker and loved his community as much as he loved his friends and family; and

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WHEREAS, Keegan Virden was a 15 year-old sophomore at Central A&M, where he played football and was a member of the Shelby County 4H (Silver Spurs Club); he enjoyed basketball, hunting, fishing, and spending time with his friends; he was a member of Mt. Pleasant Church of God; and

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1 WHEREAS, Keegan Virden was an organ donor, and his organs
2 were able to help 10 people after he passed away; and

3 WHEREAS, Conner Rowcliff and Keegan Virden will be deeply
4 missed by the Assumption community; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF
7 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate U.S.
8 Route 51 starting at N2600 East Road in Assumption north to the
9 Shelby-Macon County Line as the "Conner-Keegan Memorial
10 Highway"; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
12 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
13 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
14 giving notice of the name "Conner-Keegan Memorial Highway";
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
17 presented to the families of Conner Rowcliff and Keegan
18 Virden, Assumption Mayor Derek Page, and the Secretary of the
19 Illinois Department of Transportation.