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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the  
3 State of Illinois learned with sadness of the death of Senior  
4 Airman Jason Bechel of Wood River on Sunday, April 30, 2006;  
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6           WHEREAS, He was serving in the United States Air Force as  
7 an aircraft maintainer with the 52nd Equipment Maintenance  
8 Squadron, stationed at Spangdahlem Air Base in Germany; and

9           WHEREAS, He was serving his second tour of duty with the  
10 U.S. Air Force and was preparing to spend a lifetime with the  
11 woman he loved; he was to be married in about two weeks; and

12           WHEREAS, Airman Bechel graduated in January 1998 from East  
13 Alton-Wood River High School, where he played baseball; he  
14 remained in the area for several years before joining the Air  
15 Force in April 2001; and

16           WHEREAS, He loved being in the U.S. Air Force and loved  
17 serving his country; he always seemed to be in good spirits and  
18 never let anything bother him; he enjoyed working out,  
19 kickboxing, and playing softball; and

20           WHEREAS, The passing of Airman Jason Bechel has been deeply  
21 felt by many, especially his fiancée, Lea Subinova; his  
22 parents, Larry and Betty Bechel; his sisters, Heidi Bechel and  
23 Tonya Bechel; his niece, Brittni Bechel; his nephew, Tristen  
24 Bechel; and his grandmother, Ida Helmkamp; therefore, be it

25           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
26 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
27 we mourn the passing of Senior Airman Jason Bechel, and we  
28 extend our deepest sympathy to his family, friends, and all who  
29 knew and loved him; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to his family as an expression of our sincerest  
3 condolences.