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2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to honor the brave men and women of 4 the Brookfield and LaGrange Police and Fire Departments on 5 being honored by the Brookfield-LaGrange Lions Club; and

WHEREAS, LaGrange Park Fire Department members The honor Firefighters of the receiving as Year are Paramedic/Firefighter Susan Breen, Paramedic/Firefighter Terry Chiappetta, Paramedic/Firefighter Patrick Hurley, and Paramedic/Firefighter Ryan Leavitt; the four firefighters responded to what was perceived to be a routine call, but due to their training they were able to identify a potentially life-threatening situation and take the needed precautions on behalf of the patient; and

WHEREAS, The LaGrange Park Police Department has selected Sam Pulia as the Police Office of the Year for his dedication to the department; Sam Pulia, on his own time, donated furniture and wall hangings to update the police substation in the Forest Glen Apartments; in addition he used his own carpet shampooer and cleaned all the carpeting; even though he is only a part-time officer he dedicates his full attention to his work with the department; and

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WHEREAS, The Brookfield Department of Police has selected Sergeant Fred Marek, Officer Richard Sebek, and Officer Paul Lanzi as the recipients of this year's award; Sergeant Marek and Officer Sebek are being honored for responding to a shooting incident 21 years ago; Fred Marek was promoted to Sergeant in October of 1998 and Officer Sebek has been nationally recognized for his expertise in the Aikido discipline of martial arts; Officer Lanzi is being honored for his heroic efforts during an undercover narcotics operation, with Officer Lanzi being seriously injured during the operation; and

WHEREAS, The Brookfield Fire Department has selected Lieutenant Jon Hultman for Firefighter of the Year for his hard work in securing federal funding for the department; he has secured money for air packs, a fire prevention smoke detector program, the purchase of an air compressor and thermal imaging camera, and other necessary items; he also was the lead instructor in teaching the firefighters how to use the camera; and

20 WHEREAS, The Brookfield-LaGrange Lions Club will honor 21 these men and women at an awards ceremony on May 23, 2007; 22 therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

- 1 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 2 congratulate the men and women of the Brookfield and LaGrange
- 3 Police and Fire Departments for receiving this recognition by
- 4 the Brookfield-LaGrange Lions Club and for going beyond the
- 5 call of duty to help others; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 7 presented to Paramedic/Firefighter Susan Breen,
- 8 Paramedic/Firefighter Terry Chiappetta, Paramedic/Firefighter
- 9 Patrick Hurley, and Paramedic/Firefighter Ryan Leavitt, Sam
- 10 Pulia, Sergeant Fred Marek, Officer Richard Sebek, Officer Paul
- 11 Lanzi, and Lieutenant Jon Hultman as symbols of our respect and
- 12 esteem.