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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Freeport resident 4 Matthew Marvin for a life well lived; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Marvin recently celebrated his 70th anniversary with the Rotary Club; during World War II Mr. Marvin would actively seek out Rotary Clubs in Belgium and Switzerland, and helped fellow soldiers to later join the organization; because of his achievement he earned an audience with District 6420 Governor Pat Burch, who praised Mr. Marvin as a leader in the Rotary organization; and

WHEREAS, In 2003 Matthew Marvin donated \$1 million to the Freeport Community Foundation for the second time in his life; his previous work in insurance and real estate made him appreciate making people happy and seeing the community of Freeport prosper; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Marvin is the only timekeeper in the USA Boxing Hall of Fame; he has served as timekeeper for events such as the Junior Olympic National Championships, for over 57 years; he got his start in 1946 while serving in the United States Army and volunteering; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Matthew Marvin took part in the landing at Utah
- 2 Beach during the Invasion of Normandy in World War II; and
- 3 WHEREAS, On August 7, 2006 an ordinance was passed by the
- 4 Freeport City Council to name a part of Park Boulevard in
- 5 Freeport Matt Marvin Way; therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 7 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 8 congratulate Matthew Marvin for his many gifts to the people of
- 9 Freeport, for his noteworthy achievements throughout the
- 10 years, and for being a standout citizen of the State of
- 11 Illinois; and be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- presented to Matthew Marvin as a symbol of our respect and
- 14 admiration.