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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Millions of patriots have served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America during the past century; thousands of these patriots made the supreme sacrifice for our nation during their call to duty, yet many of them have received little honor from this nation for their brave and heroic contributions; and

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WHEREAS, The sacrifices of these men and women who have served in the Armed Forces have been vital in preserving the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by the people of this nation today; and

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WHEREAS, During times of emergency, these honorable and courageous heroes have stepped forward to serve our country by placing the welfare of the nation before their own lives; these veterans have not only guaranteed liberty and peace for the citizens of the United States, but have sought to establish these qualities for other nations throughout the world; and

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WHEREAS, There has been a decrease in awareness and importance placed on the accomplishments of those who served in the Armed Forces, despite the efforts of the Department of Veterans' Affairs and veterans' service organizations; it is essential that the future leaders of our nation recognize the

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1 history of military action, as well as the accompanying
2 contributions and significant sacrifice made by all veterans
3 who have provided dedicated service and protection for this
4 nation and its citizens; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 recognize August 29, 2008 as Veterans' Awareness Day in the
8 State of Illinois and encourage the citizens of this State to
9 reflect upon the service that veterans have given to ensure the
10 well-being of our State and country; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to John Monaghan, the organizer of Veterans'
13 Awareness Day, as a symbol of our esteem and respect.