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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of U.S.
4 Marine Corps Corporal Tony Mihalo, who was killed in action in
5 Afghanistan; and

6 WHEREAS, Corporal Tony Mihalo was a 2004 graduate of
7 Naperville North High School, where he played football, played
8 basketball, and wrestled; and

9 WHEREAS, After the tragic events of September 11, 2001,
10 Corporal Tony Mihalo joined the United States Marine Corps
11 while still a student at Naperville North High School, serving
12 with the 2nd Battalion of the 7th Regiment; after completing
13 two tours of duty in Iraq, he expected to stay in the United
14 States, but later agreed to serve in Afghanistan in early 2008,
15 after the Marines asked for combat veterans to lead units
16 there; and

17 WHEREAS, Corporal Tony Mihalo was awarded three Purple
18 Hearts for his service in Iraq and was awarded a fourth Purple
19 Heart after he was wounded in July of 2008 in Afghanistan; he
20 also earned two Combat Action Ribbons and a unit Certificate of
21 Commendation, among other accolades; and

1 WHEREAS, Corporal Tony Mihalo enjoyed watching the History
2 Channel and professional wrestling; he planned to complete the
3 last two credits of his associate's degree and begin studying
4 criminal justice when he returned home in October; and

5 WHEREAS, Corporal Tony Mihalo is survived by his mother,
6 Debbie (Bill) Wolfe; his sisters, Barbara and Christine; his
7 brother, Michael; and his fiancée, Megan Allen; and

8 WHEREAS, Corporal Tony Mihalo will be remembered by all who
9 knew and loved him as a patriotic and fun-loving person whose
10 dedication to his country, his unit, and his family was
11 unmatched; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of U.S.
15 Marine Corps Corporal Tony Mihalo; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Corporal Tony Mihalo
17 and his willingness to serve his country, which led to him
18 making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Corporal Tony Mihalo as an
21 expression of our sympathy.