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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 Chicago  
4 Police Officer Thomas Eugene Wortham IV of Chicago, who was  
5 killed in the line of duty on May 19, 2010; and

6           WHEREAS, He was born on Super Bowl Sunday, January 20, 1980  
7 to Thomas Eugene Wortham III and Carolyn Wortham; and

8           WHEREAS, He attended Beverly Hills Preschool and Morgan  
9 Park Academy; he developed a love for science and sports while  
10 in elementary school, especially baseball and soccer; he played  
11 baseball in the Roseland Little League and South Side Little  
12 League; he also played AYSO Soccer with the Beverly Soccer  
13 League and the Blue Island Soccer League; and

14           WHEREAS, He attended Brother Rice High School where he  
15 studied college preparatory curriculum and was a part of the  
16 football and track teams; he continued his education at the  
17 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and earned a Bachelor of  
18 Arts in Communications; and

19           WHEREAS, While attending college he joined the Wisconsin  
20 Army National Guard; he served in the 1-125th Infantry  
21 Battalion and the 105th CAV; he attained the rank of First

1 Lieutenant and received many commendations, including the  
2 Bronze Star; he served two tours in Iraq, and had recently  
3 returned home from his second tour; and

4 WHEREAS, Thomas Wortham IV was a member of the Evergreen  
5 Park and Chicago Police Departments; and

6 WHEREAS, He enjoyed sky diving, scuba diving, mountain  
7 climbing, and riding his motorcycle; and

8 WHEREAS, Officer Thomas Wortham IV is survived by his  
9 parents; his sister, Sandra; his Grandma Fannie; his Grammie  
10 Bette; his aunts, Diane and Patricia; his uncles, Homer,  
11 Bernard, and Frederick; his many cousins; his many friends, the  
12 love of his life, Caitlin Waldhart; his fellow police officers;  
13 and a grateful community; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
15 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
16 mourn, along with his family, friends, fellow officers, and  
17 community, the passing of Chicago Police Officer Thomas Eugene  
18 Wortham IV; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20 presented to the family of Thomas Eugene Wortham IV as a symbol  
21 of our sincere sympathy.