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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 United
4 States Army Ranger Joseph Whiting Dimock II of Wildwood, who
5 gave his life in the service of his country while serving at
6 Camp Salerno, Afghanistan on July 10, 2010; and

7 WHEREAS, Joseph (Joey) was born in Libertyville on May 25,
8 1989 to Joseph and Ellen Dimock; he grew up with his younger
9 brothers, Louis and Michael in Wildwood, where the Dimock
10 family has lived for 21 years; he attended the Wildwood
11 Presbyterian Church, where he was baptized at the age of 3
12 months and confirmed as an adult member in eighth grade; he
13 faithfully attended Sunday School, worship, and the
14 middle-school and high-school youth fellowship groups; he was
15 particularly devoted to the annual summer high school mission
16 trips, where he put his energy and skills to good use; and

17 WHEREAS, Joey loved the outdoors and was an active member
18 of Cub Scout Pack, Venture Crew, and Boy Scout Troop 672; he
19 earned the rank of Eagle Scout; for his Eagle Scout project, he
20 collected nearly 200 worn, American flags so they could be
21 honorably retired in a special ceremony; and

22 WHEREAS, In 2007, Joey graduated from Warren Township High

1 School; he was a superb swimmer and a member of the Warren Blue
2 Devils swim team and swim club; in 2006, he and his teammates
3 set the Junior Varsity Swim Record in the 400 yard freestyle
4 relay, in which he swam the anchor leg; in the spring of his
5 senior year of high school, he joined the United States Army
6 and began his service in August of 2007; and

7 WHEREAS, He served in the 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger
8 Regiment and was currently serving his third overseas
9 deployment, his second in Afghanistan supporting Operation
10 Enduring Freedom; during his service, he received the Ranger
11 Tab, Combat Infantryman Badge, and the Parachutist Badge; he
12 was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan
13 Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism
14 Service Medal, and the Army Service Ribbon; and he was
15 posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Army
16 Commendation Medal; and

17 WHEREAS, United States Army Ranger Joseph Whiting Dimock II
18 is survived by his loving family, his parents, Joseph and
19 Ellen; his brothers, Louis and Michael; his paternal
20 grandmother, Elna Jensen Dimock; his maternal grandfather,
21 Alan R. McCausland; and his aunts, uncles, cousins, friends,
22 and fellow soldiers; therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
2 mourn, along with his family, friends, and a grateful nation,
3 the passing of United States Army Ranger Joseph Whiting Dimock
4 II; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of United States Army
6 Ranger Joseph Whiting Dimock II and his willingness to serve
7 his country, which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice;
8 and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to United States Army Ranger Joseph Whiting Dimock II
11 as a symbol of our sincere sympathy.