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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Lombard Police  
4 Officer Joe Menolascino on being awarded the "Achievement of  
5 Excellence Award" by the Illinois Operation Lifesaver  
6 Enforcement Committee; and

7           WHEREAS, He joined the Lombard Police Department in 1996;  
8 and

9           WHEREAS, He was recognized for his exemplary enforcement  
10 efforts and promoting railroad crossing safety throughout the  
11 community since 2008; he is a 15-year veteran of the Lombard  
12 Police Department and a truck enforcement specialist assigned  
13 to the Lombard Police Department's Traffic Safety Unit; he has  
14 worked tirelessly in so many ways to prevent unnecessary deaths  
15 and injuries at railroad crossings; and

16           WHEREAS, He has been instrumental in securing thousands of  
17 dollars in grant funding to support efforts at educating  
18 pedestrians and motorists about the dangers associated with  
19 railroad crossings; and

20           WHEREAS, The Village of Lombard sees an average of 4,000  
21 train commuters per day, as well as 50,000 vehicle operators

1 who also cross the tracks; as part of the efforts which gained  
2 him this recognition, Officer Menolascino has passed out more  
3 than 10,000 informational safety fliers to children and adults,  
4 including on the train platform; and

5 WHEREAS, Officer Menolascino was instrumental in having  
6 new railroad safety signs installed in the community, and he  
7 has organized railroad crossing enforcement campaigns aimed at  
8 reducing violations; additionally, because of his efforts,  
9 Lombard became one of the first communities to have suicide  
10 prevention information along the railroad tracks; and

11 WHEREAS, He is a graduate of Elmhurst College; he attends  
12 many government sponsored events like senior health fairs and  
13 women's health fairs to promote train safety; he is married and  
14 has one son, Anthony; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
16 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
17 we thank Officer Menolascino for his hard work, congratulate  
18 him on this award, and wish him continued success in the  
19 future; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
21 presented to Officer Joe Menolascino as a symbol of our respect  
22 and esteem.