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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is important to recognize those who contributed
3 to the betterment of the State of Illinois through public
4 service; and

5 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen was born on February 3, 1967 in Breese;
6 his parents were Marjorie "Margie" (nee Gebke) Jansen and Paul
7 Jansen; he married Brenda Kluemke on January 28, 1995 at St.
8 Cecilia Catholic Church in Bartelso; and

9 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen was the owner and operator of
10 MacJenna's Restaurant in Bartelso; and

11 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen was a member of St. Cecilia Catholic
12 Church in Bartelso; he was also a 15-year veteran of the Santa
13 Fe Fire Protection District in Bartelso, Bartelso Knights of
14 Columbus Council 4745, and the 7 Levee Club in Bartelso; and

15 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen was an avid deer hunter and loved
16 spending time with his family and friends on the river and at
17 the clubhouse; and

18 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen gave his life in the line of duty while
19 fighting a fire; and

1 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen was preceded in death by his father;
2 his mother-in-law, Bernadette (nee Varel) Kluemke; his dear
3 uncle, Fr. James Jansen; and his many aunts and uncles; and

4 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen is survived by his wife, Brenda; his
5 daughters, Mackenna and Jenna Jansen; his siblings, Tony
6 (Brenda) Jansen, Lynn (Louie) Loepker, Jeff (Sonja) Jansen, Joe
7 (Sandy) Jansen, and Theresa (Jim) Ghormley; his father-in-law,
8 Gerhard Kluemke; his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Karen
9 (Linus) Ripperda, Brian (Sam) Kluemke, Craig (Tanya) Kluemke,
10 and Danny (Shelly) Kluemke; and his many nieces and nephews;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Governor Pat Quinn ordered flags in the State of
13 Illinois to fly at half-staff from December 4-6, 2012 to honor
14 the sacrifice of Tim Jansen; and

15 WHEREAS, Tim Jansen was added to the National Fallen
16 Firefighters Memorial on the National Fire Academy in
17 Emmitsburg, Maryland and the Illinois Fallen Firefighter
18 Memorial; he was also honored at the annual Illinois Fallen
19 Firefighter Memorial and Firefighter Medal of Honor Awards
20 Ceremony on May 9, 2013; and

21 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General
22 Assembly pays honor and respect to individuals who gave their

1 lives in the service of the State of Illinois; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
3 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
4 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the section of
5 Illinois Route 161 between the intersection of Hanover Street
6 in Germantown and the intersection of South B Street in
7 Bartelso as the Firefighter Tim Jansen Memorial Highway; and be
8 it further

9 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
10 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
11 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
12 giving notice of the name of the Firefighter Tim Jansen
13 Memorial Highway; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Tim Jansen, the Santa Fe Volunteer
16 Fire Department, the Mayors of Bartelso and Germantown, and the
17 Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.