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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to honor John Batusich for his
4 heroic actions that helped preserve crucial evidence in a
5 murder investigation; and

6 WHEREAS, On November 18, 2012, John Batusich came upon a
7 fire on Canton Farm Road; he was off duty and on vacation but
8 forcibly entered the house to see if anyone needed aid and
9 removed an elderly woman from the burning house; the rescue
10 then turned into a murder investigation; and

11 WHEREAS, Because John Batusich took heroic action on that
12 day, evidence was preserved in the investigation which led to a
13 confession from the culprit and the case being closed for the
14 murder of 89-year old Dorothy Dumyah; and

15 WHEREAS, John Batusich will be awarded The Medal of Honor
16 as a result of his actions; and

17 WHEREAS, John Batusich will be honored at the Twentieth
18 Annual Firefighting Medal of Honor Awards Ceremony and the
19 Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service on May 9th at the
20 Firefighters Memorial on the grounds of the Illinois State
21 Capitol; and

1 WHEREAS, John Batusich is employed by the Lockport Township
2 Fire District as a firefighter; he lives in the 98th District
3 in Crest Hill and is a Lockport Township trustee; therefore, be
4 it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
7 we honor John Batusich for his actions and thank him for his
8 service to the community; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to John Batusich as an expression of our esteem and
11 respect.