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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, In the 1950s, United States Route 30 was a
3 coast-to-coast highway that went directly through the heart of
4 downtown Aurora; and

5 WHEREAS, The late Mayor Paul Egan decided it was time to
6 get the semi-trucks out of the downtown area; he started a
7 campaign to relocate Route 30 to free downtown Aurora and the
8 residential neighborhoods of the thousands of vehicles that
9 traveled the road each day; he was successful in getting the
10 State to move the road south and the city was freed of
11 unnecessary traffic, noise, and pollution; and

12 WHEREAS, Throughout the years, the relocation of Route 30
13 has brought tremendous growth to the areas that border it; and

14 WHEREAS, Route 30 continues to be improved to handle the
15 increasing traffic coming through the area and is still
16 bringing in new development; and

17 WHEREAS, Mayor Paul Egan's vision continues to benefit the
18 area's citizens to this day; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
20 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE

1 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we recognize the late Mayor Paul
2 Egan on his efforts to relocate and improve Route 30 in Aurora;
3 and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That we designate Route 30 in Aurora as it
5 travels between Route 47 and 34 as the "Mayor Paul Egan
6 Memorial Highway"; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
8 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
9 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
10 giving notice of the name "Mayor Paul Egan Memorial Highway";
11 and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
13 presented to the family of Mayor Paul Egan and the Secretary of
14 the Illinois Department of Transportation.