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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General  
3 Assembly pays honor and respect to the truly great individuals  
4 who have served our country; and

5 WHEREAS, At one time or another during World War II, 7 of  
6 the Ghere brothers of Arcola in Douglas County, served in  
7 either the European or Pacific theaters; and

8 WHEREAS, The names of the Ghere Brothers are Donnie,  
9 George, Harry, Russell "Fudgie", Bobby, John, and Jim; and

10 WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Bobby Ghere was killed on March 3,  
11 1945 in Germany, defending his country; the  
12 Ghere-Pullen-Reinheimer Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #7862 is  
13 named in his honor; last year, Bobby Ghere was named to the  
14 Arcola Alumni Hall of Fame; and

15 WHEREAS, The story of the Ghere brothers and their  
16 commitment to their country is remarkable and unprecedented;  
17 therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
20 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate Route 133 as it passes

1 through Douglas County as the "Ghere Brothers Memorial  
2 Highway"; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation  
4 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with  
5 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs  
6 giving notice of the name "Ghere Brothers Memorial Highway";  
7 and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
9 delivered to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of  
10 Transportation and the family of the Ghere brothers.