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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois have learned that their former, long-time colleague, Joel Brunsvold, will be honored at the Illinois Conservation Foundation's Illinois Outdoor Hall of Fame Banquet on March 4, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Joel Brunsvold was first elected to the Illinois House of Representatives in November of 1982; he served as a State Representative until March of 2003; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the Illinois House of Representatives, Joel Brunsvold served as Chairman of the Illinois Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus and the Illinois Democratic Sportsmen's Alliance; in addition, he belongs to Pheasants Forever and Ducks Unlimited; and

WHEREAS, Joel Brunsvold was named Outstanding Legislator of the Year by numerous sportsmen groups, including the Illinois State Rifle Association and Safari Club International; and

WHEREAS, Joel Brunsvold served with distinction as the Director of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources from April of 2003 until December 31, 2005; while serving as Director of the Department, he concurrently served as Chairman of the Illinois Conservation Board, which oversees the Illinois Conservation Foundation; and

WHEREAS, As both a State Representative and the Director of the Department of Natural Resources, Joel Brunsvold was instrumental in bringing the \$50 million Sparta Shooting Complex to fruition; and

WHEREAS, Joel Brunsvold has displayed a dedication

1 throughout his public service and in his private life to
2 sportsmen, outdoor, and conservation groups and activities;
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we recognize Joel Brunsvold as a friend of the outdoors and
7 congratulate him on being honored by the Illinois Conservation
8 Foundation; and be it further

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