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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The government urges residents to seek shelter in  
3 a safe place during severe weather and natural disasters,  
4 including recent storms and flooding; and

5 WHEREAS, Electricians of the International Brotherhood of  
6 Electric Workers (IBEW) brave these hazardous conditions,  
7 working to restore power and protect the public from the  
8 threats posed by severe weather, such as severed power lines;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Electrical power is one of the most indispensable  
11 services Illinoisans rely on in their day-to-day life and is  
12 particularly vital to the success of disaster recovery efforts;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, IBEW electricians frequently work in perilous  
15 conditions to restore power and resolve potentially  
16 life-threatening situations, providing emergency workers with  
17 safer conditions for rescue attempts and speeding up disaster  
18 recovery efforts; and

19 WHEREAS, IBEW electricians deserve respect and  
20 appreciation for the immense risks they take while serving  
21 Illinois communities during severe weather and times of crisis;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, Southern Illinois was ravaged by a series of  
3 severe storms in May of 2009; calamity was avoided in part due  
4 to the diligent and, in some instances, heroic conduct of the  
5 members of IBEW Locals 9, 51, 196, 309, 649, and 702; their  
6 diligence and hard work have ensured the safety and comfort of  
7 thousands of southern Illinoisans; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
9 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
10 honor the members of International Brotherhood of Electrical  
11 Workers Locals 9, 51, 196, 309, 649, and 702 for their heroic  
12 efforts in restoring power and order to the citizens of  
13 Illinois in dangerous conditions; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to a representative of the International Brotherhood  
16 of Electrical Workers as a symbol of our esteem and respect.