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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 Illinois WHEREAS, The members of the House of 3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of United 4 States Army Sergeant Michael Patrick Bartley of Barnhill, who 5 gave his life defending America's freedom on January 11, 2011, 6 in Mosul, Iraq; and

7 WHEREAS, Michael Patrick Bartley was born in Fairfield; he
8 was the son of Robert and Rebecca Isles; and

9 WHEREAS, Sgt. Michael Bartley graduated from Fairfield 10 Community High School; and

11 WHEREAS, Sgt. Michael Bartley served his country with pride 12 and distinction as a sergeant with the U.S. Army's 1st 13 Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team of the 14 1st Cavalry Division stationed out of Fort Hood, Texas; and

15 WHEREAS, Sgt. Michael Bartley was the recipient of numerous 16 awards for meritorious service, including the Bronze Star, the 17 Purple Heart, the Combat Action Badge, the Army Commendation 18 Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense 19 Service Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal with campaign star, the 20 Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on 21 Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas HR0040 -2- LRB097 08757 GRL 48886 r Service Ribbon, and the Driver/Mechanic Badge; and

2 WHEREAS, United States and Illinois State flags throughout 3 Illinois flew at half-staff from January 26-28, 2011, as a 4 symbol of mourning and in honor of the sacrifice of Sgt. 5 Michael Bartley; and

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6 WHEREAS, Sgt. Michael Bartley will be remembered fondly for 7 his love of country, his generous spirit, his patriotism, and 8 his love for his family and friends; and

9 WHEREAS, Sgt. Michael Bartley dedicated his life to 10 defending America's freedom and gave the ultimate sacrifice; he 11 will be missed by his parents, Robert and Rebecca Isles; his 12 grandmothers, Delta Lewis and Glenda Isles; his grandfather, 13 Henry Bartley; his fellow soldiers; and the citizens of our 14 grateful nation; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, ΒY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 16 we mourn, along with his family, friends, and the rest of a 17 18 grateful nation, the passing of United States Army Sergeant Michael Patrick Bartley; and be it further 19

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 21 presented to the family of Sgt. Michael Bartley as a symbol of HR0040

1 our sincere sympathy.