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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Lance
4 Corporal Kevin E. Oratowski of Wheaton, who was killed while
5 conducting combat operations in the Helmand Province in
6 Afghanistan on August 18, 2010; and

7 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Kevin E. Oratowski was a Wheaton
8 resident for over 22 years and a 2005 graduate of Glenbard
9 South High School in Glen Ellyn; and

10 WHEREAS, He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on
11 June 23, 2008; he served as a light-armored vehicle crewman and
12 was conducting mounted combat operations against enemy forces
13 at the time of his passing; and

14 WHEREAS, He was assigned to the 1st Light Armored
15 Reconnaissance Battalion, 1st Marine Division, I Marine
16 Expeditionary Force out of Camp Pendleton, California; he was
17 awarded the Purple Heart, the Combat Action Ribbon, the
18 National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign
19 Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and the Sea
20 Service Deployment Ribbon; and

21 WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Kevin E. Oratowski was the

1 cherished son of Stephen and Mary (nee Groom); the loving
2 brother of Carrie (fiancee, Jason Plaszek), Michael, and his
3 late twin sister, Avy; the dear grandson of Avy and the late
4 William Clint Groom, and the late Norman and Sylvia Oratowski;
5 the fond uncle of Charlie and Joey; the dear godson of John and
6 Kathy Gallo; the fond nephew of Loretta and Walter Kloog and
7 Shari and Bruce Barnich; a dear friend; and the devoted cousin
8 of many; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
10 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we mourn, along with his family, friends, and a grateful
12 nation, the passing of Lance Corporal Kevin E. Oratowski; and
13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Lance Corporal Kevin
15 E. Oratowski and his willingness to serve his country, which
16 led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Lance Corporal Kevin E. Oratowski as
19 a symbol of our sincere sympathy.