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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, Since September 11, 2001, 2,700,000 people have 2 3 served in the military, and their unemployment rate has 4 constantly been higher than non-veterans; and 5 WHEREAS, Young veterans and women veterans often suffer 6 even higher rates of unemployment; and 7 WHEREAS, Over 1,000,000 more Iraq and Afghanistan-era 8 veterans are expected to return to civilian life in the next 5 9 years; and WHEREAS, The Department of Employment Security provides 10 Illinois Job Link, a no-cost, self-service job matching system 11 12 for job seekers and employers; and 13 WHEREAS, The Department of Veterans' Affairs offers other 14 assistance to veterans through the VETS program, which includes 15 assistance from local veteran employment representatives, workshops on job hunting, resume writing, and interviewing 16 17 techniques, and federal contractors' job listings; and WHEREAS, Illinois agencies and departments should continue 18 19 to do everything in their power to help those who served our

nation find employment; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, The Internet provides a tool for veterans to
- 2 locate services and information on available jobs; and
- 3 WHEREAS, An easily searchable web site that matches
- 4 individualized job listings with individualized skill sets
- 5 possessed by available veterans would help assist veterans in
- finding full-time employment; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 8 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 9 we urge the Department of Employment Security and the
- 10 Department of Veterans' Affairs to create a veterans' jobs
- 11 Internet web site, easily accessible to veterans, offering job
- openings that match their skills to prospective employers; and
- 13 be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- presented to the Director of Veterans' Affairs and the Director
- of Employment Security.