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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 Kevin
4 Sanders, formerly of Plainfield, who passed away on April 18,
5 2013, as a result of the West Fertilizer Plant Co. explosion in
6 West, Texas; and

7 WHEREAS, Kevin Sanders served with Plainfield's emergency
8 management agency from 2006 to 2011; in addition to being an
9 EMT for the Bruceville-Eddy Volunteer Fire Department in Texas,
10 he worked as a vet tech at Hewitt Veterinary Hospital and the
11 Waco Animal Emergency Clinic, while teaching part time at
12 McLennan Community College in Waco, Texas; and

13 WHEREAS, Kevin Sanders was in the middle of an EMT class
14 when the blast occurred; he immediately responded with the
15 first emergency responder team, during which he passed away;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Kevin Sanders graduated with honors from Marist
18 High School in Chicago in 1997; he subsequently earned an
19 associate's degree in science from Moraine Valley Community
20 College, an associate's degree of applied science in veterinary
21 technology from Parkland College, and a bachelor's degree in
22 animal science from the University of Illinois; and

1 WHEREAS, Kevin Sanders was an altar boy at Sacred Heart
2 Church in Palos Hills; and

3 WHEREAS, Kevin Sanders is survived by his wife, Sarah, and
4 his son, Reeve; and

5 WHEREAS, The love for Kevin Sanders from his family shone
6 forth on April 27, 2013, when he returned from Texas for the
7 last time; he was remembered and honored at funeral services on
8 May 1, 2013 at the church of his youth, Sacred Heart Church;
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
11 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
12 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of
13 Kevin Sanders; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of Kevin Sanders as an expression of
16 our sympathy.