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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1088

2 WHEREAS, On June 19, 2004, the Middle East Conflicts Wall 3 Memorial was dedicated commemorating the servicemen and women 4 who have lost their lives in worldwide conflicts since 1979; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, The project was conceived by Jerry Kuczera and 7 Tony Cutrano; it was built with donated material and labor and 8 is the first of its kind in the history of the United States to 9 give honor to fallen soldiers by name while the conflict is 10 ongoing; and

11 WHEREAS, The names on the wall represent fallen heroes from 12 such diverse locations as Panama, Lebanon, the Balkans, 13 Grenada, Somalia, Haiti, the USS Cole, the USS Stark, terrorist 14 attacks in Italy, Greece, and Scotland, and the current 15 conflicts in the Middle East; and

16 WHEREAS, The Middle East Conflicts Wall Memorial is located 17 along the Illinois River in Marseilles; therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL 19 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate June 21, 20 2014, as Middle East Conflicts Wall Memorial Day in honor of 21 those who have fallen in the War on Terror.