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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the passing of McHenry County Sheriff's Deputy Dwight Maness; and

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WHEREAS, Deputy Maness served his country as a 20-year member of the United States Army Rangers, rising to the rank of Sergeant First Class and serving in combat during the first Gulf War; and

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WHEREAS, Upon retiring from the Army, Deputy Maness was driven to continue protecting his community as a deputy in the McHenry County Sheriff's Department, where he served as a field training officer, a member of the SWAT team, and a first aid instructor; and

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WHEREAS, Deputy Maness embodied the courage and selflessness of those who protect and serve our communities; responding to a report of a domestic incident in Holiday Hills, he was ambushed and shot 3 times in the back and leg by the suspect with a high-powered assault rifle; and

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WHEREAS, Deputy Maness' heroism in the line of duty was recognized when he received a Purple Heart medal from the sheriff's department; and

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1 WHEREAS, Despite severe injuries, Deputy Maness continued
2 working to foster kinship within the local law enforcement
3 community; although confined to a wheel chair, he spent his
4 final birthday attending a vigil for fallen Fox Lake Police
5 Lieutenant Joseph Gliniewicz; and

6 WHEREAS, Deputy Maness worked hard to overcome the severe
7 injuries sustained in the attack in hopes of returning to
8 active duty, but he passed too soon at the age of 47; and

9 WHEREAS, Deputy Maness will be remembered by the community
10 he loved as one of the true heroes who walk among us; and

11 WHEREAS, Deputy Maness is survived by his wife Sue, with
12 whom he would have celebrated 5 years of marriage this
13 September; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
16 mourn the passing of McHenry County Sheriff's Deputy Dwight
17 Maness, and extend our sincere condolences to his family,
18 friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the family of Deputy Maness as an expression of

1 our deepest sympathy.