

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are honored to recognize milestone events in  
4 the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, On December 12, 2001, Leonard M. Skolek became  
6 the recipient of the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious  
7 achievement while serving as the Assistant Squad Leader of  
8 Company D, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment in the European  
9 Theatre of Operation on June 7, 1944; and

10 WHEREAS, Leonard Skolek served his country as Corporal of  
11 the United States Army Infantry Division; as the 2nd platoon  
12 proceeded north on the main highway to Charbourg, the enemy  
13 suddenly opened fire from the right rear; Corporal Skolek  
14 returned the fire, killing five of the enemy; and

15 WHEREAS, Corporal Skolek's alertness, courage, and  
16 accuracy prevented heavy casualties to his platoon; and

17 WHEREAS, Corporal Skolek's exemplary performance of duty  
18 was in keeping with the finest traditions of military service  
19 and reflects good credit upon himself, the 505th Parachute  
20 Infantry Regiment, the United States Army, and the State of  
21 Illinois; therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
23 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
24 we congratulate Corporal Leonard M. Skolek on being the  
25 recipient of the Bronze Star Medal and we extend our  
26 gratitude to him for his faithful and dedicated service to  
27 our Nation during a time of great need; and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
29 presented to Corporal Leonard M. Skolek as an expression of  
30 our esteem.