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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is highly fitting that the Illinois General
3 Assembly pays honor and respect to those individuals who have
4 given their lives in service to their community; and

5 WHEREAS, Illinois State Trooper Corey Steven Thompsen of
6 rural St. Joseph was killed in the line of duty on October 18,
7 2024; and

8 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen began his career in law
9 enforcement after graduating from the Southwestern Police
10 Academy as part of Session 137, and he initially worked with
11 the Vermilion County Metropolitan Enforcement Group (VMEG); he
12 then attended the Illinois State Police Academy as a member of
13 Cadet Class 130 from 2019 to 2020; he was assigned to Illinois
14 State Police District 10 in Pesotum; he joined the Illinois
15 State Police Motorcycle Enforcement Bureau in 2022; he was
16 assigned to Central Special Operations Group (SOG) Fatal 4
17 Team in 2023, serving Troop 7; and

18 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen was proud of serving with the
19 Illinois State Police; he was especially proud of being part
20 of the motor unit, viewing his colleagues as a second family
21 and a tight-knit group of friends; during his service, he
22 participated in several escort details across the State that

1 included the president, the vice president, memorial services,
2 and charity bike rides; and

3 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen was a member of the Fraternal
4 Order of Police (FOP) Troopers Lodge 41, the Alpha Phi Sigma
5 national criminal justice society, and the Phi Theta Kappa
6 honor society; and

7 WHEREAS, Trooper Thompsen was a family man who was always
8 there when anyone needed him, a respected member of the
9 Illinois State Police, and a friend to many; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL
11 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF
12 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the
13 County Road 1900E Interstate 74 Overpass as the "Trooper Corey
14 S. Thompsen Memorial Overpass"; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
16 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
17 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
18 giving notice of the name "Trooper Corey S. Thompsen Memorial
19 Overpass"; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to the family of Trooper Thompsen, the Mayor of St.

1 Joseph, and the Secretary of Transportation.