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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 death of United States Marine Corps Cpl. Daniel Baker, who passed away on December 6, 2018 over the Sea of Japan when a F/A-18D Hornet and a KC-130J Hercules collided during an aerial refueling mishap; and

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WHEREAS, Cpl. Baker grew up in Tremont; he was a 2015 graduate of Tremont High School and an Illinois State Scholar; and

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WHEREAS, Cpl. Baker enlisted with the United States Marine Corps in spring of 2016 as a KC-130j Crewmaster; and

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WHEREAS, Cpl. Baker completed his Marine recruit training in August 2016 and earned a meritorious promotion to Private First Class; and

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WHEREAS, Cpl. Baker attended Corporals Training at MCAS Iwakuni, where he graduated top of his class; he received an award for academic excellence in August 2018; and

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WHEREAS, Cpl. Baker served two years in the Marine Corps; his decorations include the National Defense Service Medal and

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1 the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; and

2 WHEREAS, Cpl. Baker is survived by his parents, Duane and  
3 Elizabeth Baker; his sister, Adelle Baker; and his  
4 grandparents, Herman and Eva Baker and Dr. Daniel and Joanne  
5 Baer; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
7 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
8 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of  
9 United States Marine Cpl. Daniel Baker; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That we honor the memory of Cpl. Baker and his  
11 encouraging, positive, adventurous spirit and his willingness  
12 to serve our country, which led to him making the ultimate  
13 sacrifice; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
15 presented to the family of Cpl. Baker as a symbol of our  
16 sincere sympathy and gratitude for his service.