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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is important to remember and honor the service
3 of those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of the
4 United States of America; and

5 WHEREAS, U.S. Army Specialist Wesley R. Wells was born in
6 Libertyville on October 24, 1982; he was a lifelong resident
7 of Libertyville and attended Libertyville High School; and

8 WHEREAS, After high school, SPC Wells enlisted in the
9 United States Army; he was stationed at Schofield Barracks in
10 Honolulu, Hawaii; and

11 WHEREAS, In April of 2004, SPC Wells was deployed to
12 Afghanistan to conduct combat operations with the 2nd
13 Battalion, 27th Infantry; and

14 WHEREAS, On September 20, 2004, SPC Wells was killed in
15 action in Paktika, Afghanistan; and

16 WHEREAS, SPC Wells was extremely proud of his career and
17 accomplishments in the military; for his service, he was
18 awarded the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the Combat
19 Infantryman Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the Army
20 Service Ribbons, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal,

1 and the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal;
2 therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
4 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
5 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the portion of
6 Illinois Route 137 from Illinois Route 21 to Butterfield Road
7 in Libertyville as the "Army SPC Wesley R. Wells Memorial
8 Road"; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
10 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
11 State and federal regulations, appropriated plaques or signs
12 giving notice of the name "Army SPC Wesley R. Wells Memorial
13 Road"; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
15 presented to the family of SPC Wells and the Secretary of
16 Transportation.