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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 who have served their
4 country and communities; and

5 WHEREAS, United States Representative Lane Allen Evans was
6 born in Rock Island in 1951; he enlisted with the United States
7 Marine Corps during the Vietnam War at the age of 17; he was
8 stationed in Okinawa, Japan and was discharged in 1971; and

9 WHEREAS, Rep. Evans graduated from Augustana College in
10 Rock Island in 1974 and earned a Juris Doctor from Georgetown
11 University in 1977; he started his legal career as an attorney
12 with the Quad Cities Legal Clinic in Moline; and

13 WHEREAS, Rep. Evans served in the United States House of
14 Representatives for 24 years, from January of 1983 through
15 January of 2007; and

16 WHEREAS, Rep. Evan's passion as a congressman was for
17 advocating on behalf of veterans and obtaining for them the
18 high-quality care and benefits that they deserved; he
19 sponsored and helped pass the Agent Orange Act of 1991; he was
20 awarded the Silver Helmet award from the American Veterans
21 Group (AMVETS) in 1995; and

1 WHEREAS, Rep. Evans announced that he would not seek
2 reelection in November 2006 and retired at the end of the 109th
3 Congress; and

4 WHEREAS, Rep. Evans passed away on November 5, 2014;
5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
7 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF
8 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate I-74 in
9 the Quad Cities from 4th Avenue to I-280 as the "Rep. Lane
10 Evans Memorial Highway"; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Illinois Department of Transportation
12 is requested to erect at suitable locations, consistent with
13 State and federal regulations, appropriate plaques or signs
14 giving notice of the name "Rep. Lane Evans Memorial Highway";
15 and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
17 presented to the family of Rep. Evans, the Mayor of Moline, and
18 the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation.