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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, It is necessary to recognize those who are
3 dedicated to the betterment of the State of Illinois and to the
4 betterment of their communities; and

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WHEREAS, The best means of fostering this commitment is by
6 recognizing the contributions of citizens who have come to
7 serve this State; and

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WHEREAS, Jerry F. Costello was born on September 25, 1949,
9 in East St. Louis; he served in the United States House of
10 Representatives from August 9, 1988 to January 2, 2013; and

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WHEREAS, During his tenure as a congressman and Chairman of
12 the St. Clair County Board, Jerry Costello made it a priority
13 to boost the local economy by building a new transportation and
14 infrastructure network for the region; and

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WHEREAS, Jerry Costello served as the senior Democrat on
16 the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and played an
17 instrumental role in securing substantial federal funding for
18 many infrastructure projects; chief among these projects was a
19 new Mississippi River bridge and the connecting roadways
20 adjacent to it; and

1 WHEREAS, This new bridge carrying Interstate 70 over the
2 Mississippi River connecting East St. Louis and downtown St.
3 Louis, Missouri is currently under construction; and

4 WHEREAS, It is fitting to dedicate the section of the
5 newly-rerouted Interstate 70 expressway from its connection at
6 Interstate 64 up to the new Mississippi River bridge in honor
7 of Congressman Jerry Costello; therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
9 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
10 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we designate the new Interstate
11 70 expressway from its connection to the existing Interstate 64
12 up to the new Mississippi River Bridge connecting East St.
13 Louis and downtown St. Louis, Missouri as the US Congressman
14 Jerry F. Costello Expressway; 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 of the US Congressman Jerry F.
19 Costello Expressway; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
21 presented to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of
22 Transportation and Congressman Jerry F. Costello.