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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 members Illinois WHEREAS, The of the House of 3 Representatives wish to honor Ken Koeppen for his heroic 4 actions in helping to save the life of a wounded Arlington 5 Heights police officer; and 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Koeppen, who is the Deputy Fire Chief for the 7 Village of Arlington Heights, found himself in the vicinity of a hostage situation on December 12, 2013 between Arlington 8 9 Heights police and an armed suspect; and 10 WHEREAS, During the hostage stand-off, Police Officer Michael McEvoy was shot and critically wounded; and 11 12 WHEREAS, While other police officers moved in to subdue the 13 offender, Deputy Chief Koeppen came to the aid of Officer McEvoy applying pressure to his serious wound and stabilizing 14 Officer McEvoy's condition until paramedics arrived; and 15 16 WHEREAS, After being rushed to the hospital in critical 17 condition, doctors were able to save the life of Officer McEvoy 18 thanks in large part to the prompt first aid administered at the hostage scene by Deputy Chief Koeppen; and 19

WHEREAS, The Arlington Heights Police credit Deputy Chief

1 Koeppen with saving Officer McEvoy's life through his brave and

- 2 selfless actions; therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 4 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 5 we honor Deputy Fire Chief Ken Koeppen for his gallant actions
- in saving the life of Officer Michael McEvoy; and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 8 presented to Deputy Fire Chief Ken Koeppen as a symbol of our
- 9 esteem and respect.