

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 978

In Memory
of
Christopher Ryan Briones

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Amarillo and Austin in mourning the tragic loss of Christopher Ryan Briones, who died December 17, 2002, at the age of 21; and

WHEREAS, Ryan was born July 4, 1981, and grew up in Amarillo; a young man of many talents, he began playing the piano when he was in the third grade, and he played the viola in the school orchestra; he was president of the National Honor Society at Amarillo High School and was active in the Alpha Phi Omega Community Service Fraternity at The University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, As part of his community service for Alpha Phi Omega, Ryan was co-coordinator of a highly successful blood drive that was conducted after the tragic events of September 11, 2001; Ryan had served over 100 service hours after pledging in the fall of 2000; as a tribute to his life, the fraternity named the spring of 2003 pledge class in his honor; and

WHEREAS, A young man of integrity and compassion, Ryan gave unselfishly of his time to others; he was a devoted son, brother, and grandson, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family, his fraternity brothers, and his many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Christopher Ryan Briones: his parents, Marc and Gina Briones; his sister, Joy Briones; and his grandparents, Eduvijes and Ildefonso and Monica Briones; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Christopher Ryan Briones.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 27, 2003, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate