SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 180

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Travis Allan Bryan, who recently established House of Brienne, Incorporated; and

WHEREAS, The ancient and noble Frankish House of Brienne was established and ennobled more than a millennium ago in France; the House of Brienne, Incorporated, represents the ancestry and rich history of the Brienne family; and

WHEREAS, Travis Bryan was born in Pasadena on November 2, 1980, to Michael Rex Bryan, Sr., and Marla Lynn Starkey; he is a fourth-generation native Texan; in 2000, he married Kelly Michelle Haire, also a native Texan and the daughter of James Dale Haire and Margaret Elizabeth Chennault; together they have three beautiful children, Joshua Dylan, Matthew Allan, and Brianna Renée; and

WHEREAS, As an adjunct professor at San Jacinto College and a part-time emergency medical technician, Travis still finds time to attend school full-time at the University of Houston and Liberty University; he has been honored academically by Phi Theta Kappa, the National Dean's List, the Chancellor's List, National Scholars Honor Society, and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges; and

WHEREAS, Travis is a member of the Pasadena Rotary Club, Kenedy Commandery 61, and Rosewyn Chapter 927, O.E.S.; he also holds endowed memberships in Galena Park Lodge 1290, the Houston Scottish Rite, the Arabia Shrine Center, and Pasadena Chapter 455 and Council 374; and

WHEREAS, As a soldier in the Texas State Guard, Travis served honorably during Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita and served on the Texas-Mexico border during Operation Lone Star 2006; he is currently enrolled in the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps at the University of Houston; and

WHEREAS, Travis has twice received the Gold President's Volunteer Service Award from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation for his dedicated volunteer service as an emergency medical technician and for his service as a soldier in the Texas State Guard; and

WHEREAS, As a proud husband, father, and Texan, Travis believes in the importance of knowing and understanding the history of his family; he conducts historical and genealogical research on the Brienne family and other related families; and

WHEREAS, Travis is a direct descendant of Englebert I de Brienne, a knight and the first Count of Brienne; Englebert I and his brother, Gobert, conquered Brienne-le-Chateau in approximately 950 A.D.; Brienne-le-Chateau was the capitol town of the French countship of Brienne; and

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WHEREAS, Travis seeks to preserve the legacy and history of his family for generations to come; he also wants to assist other families in learning more about the history of their families and preserving the same; thus, on January 3, 2007, he incorporated House of Brienne, Incorporated, through the Office of the Texas Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, House of Brienne, Incorporated, is dedicated to providing historical and genealogical services to the many residents of the State of Texas and citizens of the United States who wish to know the history of their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby proclaim Travis Allan Bryan a treasured citizen of Pasadena and our state and extend congratulations to him on his incorporation of House of Brienne, Incorporated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 5, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate