SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 363

In Memory of Brett Aaron Aycock

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Brett Aaron Aycock, who died February 24, 2015, at the age of 33; and

WHEREAS, Brett Aycock was born on June 7, 1981, in Oklahoma City; he moved to Austin as a young boy, and he attended Anderson High School, where he excelled in both academics and athletics; he began studying criminal justice at The University of Texas at Austin, but he was inspired to set a new course for his life after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Aycock enlisted in the United States Army in 2003 and served with distinction as a member of the Reconnaissance/Scout Platoon, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion Airborne, 503rd Infantry Regiment; he completed air assault training in South Korea and was deployed to Kuwait and then to Iraq, where he was wounded in action while serving in Ramadi; he was decorated with a Purple Heart and was awarded a number of medals in honor of his courageous service, including the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, and a Combat Infantryman Badge; and

WHEREAS, After his service, he managed large construction projects and worked as a consultant on military techniques and as an actor for the television production of "My Generation"; he also dedicated his time to serving as an advocate for his fellow veterans; and

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WHEREAS, He was a skilled artist and craftsman who was known for his many talents, his kind nature, and his engaging sense of humor; he was a true patriot and an American hero who was respected and admired by many, and he leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Brett Aaron Aycock; 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 Brett Aaron Aycock.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 11, 2015, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate