

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 155

In Memory  
of  
William Hunter Brannon

**WHEREAS**, No words can adequately express the sorrow caused by the tragic loss of William Hunter Brannon of Hallsville, who died on August 5, 2017, at the age of 17; and

**WHEREAS**, The son of Stan and Michelle Brannon, Will Brannon was born in Longview on December 18, 1999, and grew up in Hallsville; he was very close to his sister, Carolanne, and the family shared many interests, including history, Cardinals baseball, and all things Aggie; they spent many happy hours together hiking national parks, attending air shows to see World War II planes, and relaxing at Caddo Lake and at their deer lease; in the summer of 2017, he traveled with his sister to Vicksburg, Mississippi, for hiking and camping; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Brannon was looking forward to beginning his senior year at Hallsville High School, where he led the tuba section in the Bobcat Band; friendly, engaging, and also mischievous, he loved both helping and pranking new members of the band, and he took pride in his section's recent victory over the drumline in marching competition; he planned to study history at West Texas A&M University with a view toward becoming a teacher; and

**WHEREAS**, This active young Texan relished taking on technical and outdoor challenges; he was a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 620 and the Order of the Arrow Brotherhood, and in 2016, he attained the rank of Eagle Scout after completing a service project in which he constructed a dodgeball arena for a special-needs school; in his free time, he enjoyed archery,

solving Rubik's Cube puzzles, playing Monster Hunter, and drinking coffee and RC Cola; he had a wonderful gift for finding something to treasure in each day; and

**WHEREAS**, The untimely passing of this remarkable young man is a sobering reminder of the fragility of life, and those who were fortunate enough to know Will Brannon will forever cherish their memories of precious moments spent in his company; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of William Hunter Brannon and extend deepest condolences to his loved ones; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Will Brannon.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 15, 2017, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate