**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND REMEMBER THE SUPREME SACRIFICE MADE BY SPECIALIST JAVION SHAVONTE SULLIVAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY WHILE HE WAS SERVING A TOUR OF MILITARY DUTY IN IRAQ AND TO EXPRESS TO HIS FAMILY THE PROFOUND APPRECIATION OF A GRATEFUL STATE AND NATION FOR HIS LIFE, SACRIFICE, AND SERVICE.

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives of South Carolina deem it altogether fitting and proper to pause in their deliberations to offer their heartfelt sympathies to the family of Army Specialist Javion Shavonte Sullivan, who left this world on January 8, 2018; and

Whereas, while in Iraq supporting Operation Inherent Resolve with the 16th Signal Company, 11th Theater Tactical Signal Brigade out of Fort Hood, Texas, Javion made the ultimate sacrifice for his country. This patriot gave his life in support of freedom for all. His sacrifice will be remembered and revered for all time; and

Whereas, Javion joined the United States Army in November 2015 as a cable systems installer‑maintainer. During his service, he earned the National Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon; and

Whereas, the twenty‑four year old was married to the love of his life Rayven L. Drummond Sullivan, who he had been with for over a decade. Together, they had a cherished three‑year‑old daughter Mahogany; and

Whereas, Javion was a star wrestler at Fort Mill High School and enjoyed poetry, weight lifting, music, and sports; and

Whereas, he leaves behind many family members and friends to fondly cherish his memory. Along with his wife and daughter, these include his father Willis Sullivan, his mother Cynthia Sullivan, his siblings, Kirsten Sullivan and Antoine Sullivan, his grandmother Katherine Sullivan, his grandfather John Sullivan, and his mother‑in‑law Sherry Anderson, along with a host of aunts, uncles, and cousins; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives wish to express their genuine gratitude for Javion’s service to this country and State and are honored to remember the life and sacrifice of a brave son and hero of the Palmetto State, Javion Sullivan. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor and remember the supreme sacrifice made by Specialist Javion Shavonte Sullivan of the United States Army while he was serving a tour of military duty in Iraq and express to his family the profound appreciation of a grateful State and Nation for his life, sacrifice, and service.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Rayven Sullivan.

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