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**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND REMEMBER THE SUPREME SACRIFICE MADE BY STAFF SERGEANT ANDREW S. BUBACZ OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE WHILE HE WAS SERVING A TOUR OF MILITARY DUTY IN AFGHANISTAN, AND TO EXPRESS TO HIS FAMILY THE PROFOUND APPRECIATION OF A GRATEFUL STATE AND NATION FOR HIS LIFE, SACRIFICE, AND SERVICE.

Whereas, with deep appreciation, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly honor, on behalf of all South Carolinians, the great sacrifice that the men and women of the United States Armed Forces make for the ideals of liberty and justice so richly enjoyed in this nation; and

Whereas, born in Sumter on September 15, 1987, Staff Sergeant Andrew S. Bubacz was the son of Patrick and Linda McKlevis Bubacz of Dalzell; and

Whereas, the beloved husband of Ashley Bubacz, this gifted musician with two degrees in biology, temporarily set aside his aspirations to become a doctor and joined the United States Air Force on September 27, 2005; and

Whereas, his exemplary military service earned him such military honors as the Outstanding Airman of the Year Award in 2009; and

Whereas, answering the call of his country to serve in Afghanistan with the 97th Communications Squadron, Andrew Bubacz deployed with his unit from Altus Air Force Base in Oklahoma; and

Whereas, on November 12, 2010, at the age of twenty‑three, Staff Sergeant Andrew S. Bubacz was fatally injured in Nuristan Province, Afghanistan, while performing mission-critical maintenance on his forward operating base’s communications tower; and

Whereas, there is no greater or braver sacrifice for a man to make for his country than to lay down his life; therefore, for his valor, Staff Sergeant Andrew S. Bubacz received the Palmetto Patriot Award from former Lieutenant Governor André Bauer; and

Whereas, the South Carolina General Assembly is honored to remember the life and sacrifice of one of the brave sons and heroes of the Palmetto State, Staff Sergeant Andrew S. Bubacz. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, honor and remember the supreme sacrifice made by Staff Sergeant Andrew S. Bubacz of the United States Air Force while he was serving a tour of military duty in Afghanistan, 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 the family of Staff Sergeant Andrew S. Bubacz.

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