

Senate Resolution 358

By: Senators Jackson of the 41st, Jones II of the 22nd, Butler of the 55th, Harrell of the 40th and Parent of the 42nd

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Matthew Oliver; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished
3 citizens with the passing of Matthew Oliver on March 31, 2020; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Matthew Oliver was born in Wilmington, Delaware, on June 10, 1986, a
5 beloved son of Tom and Christine Oliver; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage for ten years to his wife and soul partner,
7 Ashlie, and after residing in Delaware and Virginia, the two put down permanent roots in
8 Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a problem solver who often took on unwanted or difficult projects, Matthew
10 Oliver enjoyed an exemplary career as an automotive technician, where he utilized his
11 academic background in mechanical technology to great effect; and
- 12 WHEREAS, with a passion for games and comic books, he pursued further education in
13 computer science at Georgia State University, which posthumously granted him the degree;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, he carried a reputation as an individual who appreciated the simple moments
16 in life, and he could frequently be found enjoying such moments in his back yard while
17 playing with his three beloved dogs; and

18 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
19 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
20 made this world a better place in which to live; and

21 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Matthew Oliver will long be remembered
22 for his love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great
23 fortune of knowing him.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 join in honoring the life and memory of Matthew Oliver and express their deepest and most
26 sincere regret at his passing.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
29 Matthew Oliver.