

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 18

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PATTERSON.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

1 **WHEREAS**, it is with heavy hearts that the members of the Missouri House of
2 Representatives pause to acknowledge the significant achievements of a life gone by, that of
3 Alan Alonzo Young, Jr., "AJ", who passed to his eternal reward at the age of thirty-two on
4 November 23, 2022; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, AJ came into this world on December 20, 1989, in Kansas City,
7 Missouri, a jovial ball of energy who was destined for greatness, born to proud and loving
8 parents Alan and Yolanda Young; and

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10 **WHEREAS**, AJ participated in a number of activities over the years through which
11 he gained close friends who became like brothers to him, including boy scouts, basketball,
12 and football; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, AJ enjoyed working with his hands and gained a reputation for
15 breaking, and fixing, many things; and

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17 **WHEREAS**, after receiving his high school diploma and certification as a mason/
18 bricklayer, AJ worked with his father's construction company remodeling homes and learned
19 how to work on cars; and

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21 **WHEREAS**, AJ helped with his family's large urban garden and even built his own
22 at-home gym by hand; and

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24 **WHEREAS**, throughout his lifetime, AJ continued to demonstrate remarkable talent
25 as a musical artist and music became one of his life's passions; and

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27 **WHEREAS**, self-taught at the young age of sixteen, AJ mastered the acoustic guitar,
28 electric guitar, and bass, and even played the keyboard and harmonica; and

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30 **WHEREAS**, AJ was truly blessed with a gift from God and had an ear for music that
31 opened the door to incredible collaborations with other musicians in the Kansas City region
32 and garnered respect for him within the music community; and

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34 **WHEREAS**, AJ could be spotted throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area with
35 his guitar and would be sure to sing a quick tune with a boisterous laugh and a smile for any
36 passersby; and

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38 **WHEREAS**, AJ's joyful energy and kind, helpful spirit were a gift to his community
39 and all who knew him; and

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41 **WHEREAS**, AJ leaves to cherish his memory his son, Alan A. Young, III ("Tre"); his
42 parents, Alan and Yolanda Young; and his three siblings, Alana (Gabe) Henry, Aaron Young
43 ("AY"), and Alexander Young ("Alex");

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45 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that we, the members of the Missouri
46 House of Representatives, One Hundred Second General Assembly, join in paying final
47 tribute to Alan Alonzo Young, Jr., a remarkable person of joy and kindness in this world
48 whose light was extinguished far too soon yet will live on in the hearts and minds of those
49 who knew and loved him; and

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51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
52 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the
53 family of the late Alan Alonzo Young, Jr., as an expression of our deep sympathy.

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