Committee on Memorials and Remembrance

"To Memorialize casualties of war and Remember the service of Military Veterans"

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Chair Boquist, Vice Chair Monnes Anderson and Committee Members:

Before you today is HCR205 which details the sacrifice of PFC Brice M. Scott in the service of our country.

PFC Brice M. Scott gave his life in Afghanistan as he came to the aid of a fellow soldier.

The Oregonian wrote: "The 22 year old Scott died July 31 (2011) in Kandahar province, Afghanistan. He and a small group of soldiers were on a rooftop when insurgents attacked, using small arms fire. Other soldiers later told (his father) Steven Scott, who lives in Florence, that his son was able to take out a handful of the insurgents before jumping in front of another soldier and being shot."

He died at the age of 22 on July 31, 2011.

PFC Scott's distinguished sacrifice is worthy of our honor and salutations.

For this reason, it is our sincere request that your committee move HCR205 to the Senate Floor with a Do Adopt recommendation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen L. Bates, Chair

A Committee of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 271

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