

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 71

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. C.B.T. Smith for his decades of service to the Christian communities of Dallas; and

WHEREAS, Certain pastors become role models for their colleagues and successors through their passion, their strength, and their dedication to sharing their faith, and Clarence Booker Taliaferro Smith is such a minister; in recognition of his stature and accomplishments, the E.K. Bailey Ministries' Expository Preaching Conference is honoring him with its Living Legend award; and

WHEREAS, For nearly 70 years, Dr. Smith has ministered faithfully to the spiritual needs of innumerable people, and he has provided enlightenment, hope, and support to the Dallas community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Smith was formerly a pastor at Golden Gate Missionary Baptist Church in Oak Cliff, where he served for 45 years before retiring at the age of 81; now at the age of 89, he continues to commit to regular preaching engagements around Dallas and across the country; and

WHEREAS, An accomplished scholar and theologian, Dr. Smith continues to grow and learn, serving as an inspiration to others and remaining an active, strong, and vibrant preacher at nearly 90 years of age; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Dr. C.B.T. Smith for his many years of service to the Dallas community and congratulate him on receiving the E.K. Bailey Ministries' Expository Preaching Conference's Living Legend award; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 13, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate