

By: Staples

S.C.R. No. 7

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with meaningful
2 accomplishments and joyful times may comfort the family and friends
3 of Jack Bob Smith of Onalaska, who passed away October 19, 2005, at
4 the age of 59; and

5 WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Polk County, Bobby Smith was
6 born May 16, 1946, in Houston; after graduating from Livingston
7 High School, he went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Stephen F.
8 Austin State University; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was an esteemed public servant who was
10 dedicated to the betterment of his beloved community; county
11 commissioner for nearly two decades, he served on the board of the
12 Texas Association of Counties and the Deep East Texas Council of
13 Governments, and through the years he held numerous offices in the
14 North and East Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association
15 and in the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas; in
16 2000, he earned advanced certification in county government as part
17 of the V. G. Young Institute of County Government and was enrolled
18 in the institute's Commissioners Court Leadership Academy; and

19 WHEREAS, In addition, Mr. Smith shared his time and talents
20 for almost 30 years as fire chief of the Onalaska Volunteer Fire
21 Department, which he helped found, and was district chair of the
22 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo; he was especially supportive of
23 local youth, active in the Onalaska Youth Sports Association for
24 two decades and raising money for the Polk County Area Go Texan

1 Committee scholarship; and

2 WHEREAS, Above all, Mr. Smith was a devoted father and
3 friend, and he enjoyed nothing more than sharing time with the
4 people who were dear to him; and

5 WHEREAS, An active and respected member of his community,
6 Bobby Smith did so much to build a better future for the citizens of
7 Polk County, and he leaves behind a legacy that will benefit area
8 residents for years to come; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas,
10 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Jack Bob Smith
11 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his
12 sons, Brett and Brandon Smith; to his grandsons, Lane and Brady
13 Smith; to his sister, Jeanne Ann Byrd, and her husband, Johnny; and
14 to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
17 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
18 Bobby Smith.