

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The family and friends of Ralph Edward Smith, Sr.,
2 of Houston were deeply saddened by his passing on November 3, 2004,
3 at the age of 80; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on September 10, 1924, in Indianapolis,
5 Indiana, Mr. Smith served with distinction in the U.S. Air Force
6 during World War II; he was educated at the University of Akron in
7 Ohio and the University of Houston and was a mechanical engineer who
8 retired from TRW Mission Manufacturing; and

9 WHEREAS, A congregant at St. Stephen's United Methodist
10 Church, Mr. Smith made significant contributions to his community
11 as a dedicated member of Oak Forest Masonic Lodge No. 1398, as a
12 respected Scout leader, and as president of the Civilian Council at
13 the DRT storefront for seven years; Mr. Smith also organized and led
14 the Coordinators Leadership Program in Police District 3B-30; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2004, the Near North Storefront Advisory Council
16 posthumously honored Mr. Smith by naming him "President Emeritus"
17 and presenting his family with a plaque of appreciation for his
18 years of community service; and

19 WHEREAS, This distinguished Houstonian was a devoted family
20 man and dedicated civic leader who positively influenced the lives
21 of his fellow Texans, and his inspirational legacy will not soon be
22 forgotten; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Ralph Edward Smith,

1 Sr., and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to
2 his wife, Lura; to his sons, Ralph Smith, Jr., and his wife,
3 Barbara, and Thomas Dare Smith and his wife, Margaret; to his
4 daughter, Terry L. Smith; to his granddaughters, Jessica and
5 Stephanie Smith; and to his other relatives and many friends; and,
6 be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
9 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ralph
10 Edward Smith, Sr.

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Allen of Harris	Giddings	Merritt
Allen of Dallas	Gonzales	Miller
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Moreno of Harris
Anchia	Goodman	Moreno of El Paso
Anderson	Goolsby	Morrison
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Baxter	Grusendorf	Naishtat
Berman	Guillen	Nixon
Blake	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hamric	Olivo
Branch	Hardcastle	Orr
Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Paxton
Burnam	Hegar	Pena
Callegari	Herrero	Phillips
Campbell	Hilderbran	Pickett
Casteel	Hill	Pitts
Castro	Hochberg	Puente
Chavez	Hodge	Quintanilla
Chisum	Homer	Raymond
Coleman	Hope	Reyna
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Ritter
Corte	Hughes	Rodriguez
Crabb	Hunter	Rose
Crownover	Hupp	Seaman
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Davis of Dallas	Jackson	Smith of Harris
Dawson	Jones of Lubbock	Smithee
Delisi	Jones of Dallas	Solis
Denny	Keel	Solomons
Deshotel	Keffer of Dallas	Strama
Driver	Keffer of Eastland	Straus
Dukes	King of Parker	Swinford
Dunnam	King of Zavala	Talton
Dutton	Kolkhorst	Taylor
Edwards	Krusee	Thompson
Eiland	Kuempel	Truitt
Eissler	Laney	Turner
Elkins	Laubenberg	Uresti
Escobar	Leibowitz	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Luna	Veasey
Farrar	Madden	Villarreal
Flores	Martinez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez Fischer	West
Frost	McCall	Wong
Gallego	McClendon	Woolley
Gattis	McReynolds	Zedler

H.R. No. 245

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 245 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 24, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House