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H.R. No. 465

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Leonard C. Smith of George West celebrated his 101st  
2 birthday on February 5, 2005, and this momentous event provides a  
3 fitting opportunity to reflect on the life of this distinguished  
4 Texan; and

5           WHEREAS, Born on February 5, 1904, in Bee County, Mr. Smith  
6 graduated from Texas A&M University in 1928; after volunteering for  
7 the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1934, he served as a first  
8 lieutenant in the Army Reserve in Conroe and later as a major in the  
9 U.S. Army during World War II; while living in Conroe, Mr. Smith met  
10 the love of his life, the former Helen Ruth Bullock, and they  
11 married in 1935; and

12           WHEREAS, Active in the farming and ranching business, Mr.  
13 Smith is a charter member and former president of the South Texas  
14 Hereford Association and longtime member of the Texas Hereford  
15 Association, which he has served in numerous capacities, including  
16 director and executive committee member; he also has served as  
17 president of Three Rivers Farmers Co-op and was a member of the  
18 board of directors from 1955 to 1959; and

19           WHEREAS, Mr. Smith is a founder and past director of the Live  
20 Oak County Soil and Water District and the Live Oak County Fair; he  
21 has served on the board of directors of the First National Bank of  
22 George West since 1955 and helped to organize the Live Oak County  
23 Farm Bureau, which he later led as president; and

24           WHEREAS, This valued member of the community is a life member

1 of Beeville Masonic Lodge and the Scottish Rite, and he belongs to  
2 the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in George West; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith has played an influential role in the  
4 lives of countless Texans, and it is a pleasure to honor him at this  
5 time; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Leonard C. Smith on his 101st  
8 birthday and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
9 happiness; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for Mr. Smith as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
12 House of Representatives.