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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Stuart Smith of Waco has become the first American
2 to complete an arduous series of feats known as the Adventure Grand
3 Slam; and

4 WHEREAS, International in scope, the slam involves scaling
5 the highest peak in each of the seven continents and trekking to
6 both the North and South Poles; Mr. Smith is believed to be only the
7 seventh individual in the world to accomplish this herculean
8 agenda; and

9 WHEREAS, After discovering a passion for mountain climbing on
10 the peaks in Colorado, Mr. Smith scored the first leg of the grand
11 slam in 1987, when he ascended Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania;
12 between 1995 and 2003, he conquered the rest of the Seven Summits,
13 including Mount McKinley and Mount Everest; he added the North Pole
14 to his list in April 2004, and he concluded his quest for the slam
15 the following December, when he reached the South Pole after a
16 725-mile, 56-day, cross-country ski expedition; and

17 WHEREAS, A native of San Diego, California, Mr. Smith
18 graduated summa cum laude from Baylor University with a bachelor's
19 degree in business administration in 1982, and he was awarded a law
20 degree with honors by The University of Texas at Austin in 1985;
21 board certified in civil appellate law, he is a partner in the firm
22 of Naman, Howell, Smith & Lee; and

23 WHEREAS, Over the course of his far-flung travels, Mr. Smith
24 has enjoyed the support of many individuals, including, especially,

1 his wife, Elizabeth; his exploits have also been followed
2 enthusiastically by the Rotary Club of Waco, of which he is a valued
3 member; and

4 WHEREAS, Among the most accomplished mountain climbers in the
5 nation, Stuart Smith has continually set and achieved the loftiest
6 of goals, and the Lone Star State is indeed proud to claim him as one
7 of its own; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
9 Legislature hereby congratulate Stuart Smith on becoming the first
10 American to complete the Adventure Grand Slam and extend to him
11 sincere best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors;
12 and, be it further

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