

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The D. P. Smith family of Llano has been an important  
2 influence in the cattle industry in Texas for more than 50 years,  
3 and family members continue to be active contributors to the  
4 ranching community in the Hill Country today; and

5           WHEREAS, Damon Smith started buying calves as an order buyer  
6 during the 1940s and 1950s; by 1960, he had founded D. P. Smith and  
7 Son and purchased the Llano Livestock Auction, hosting weekly  
8 auctions year-round; the family business also sponsored a fall  
9 special breeder sale of bred heifers and young cows for replacement  
10 stock, a successful program that was adopted by other sellers  
11 across the state; and

12           WHEREAS, For many years, the Smith family has played an  
13 important role in the Hill Country Livestock Raisers Association,  
14 and several members have served as president of the organization  
15 and have been strong supporters of the association's scholarship  
16 program for Llano students seeking to study agriculture; and

17           WHEREAS, The Smith family has demonstrated a long-standing  
18 commitment to the livestock business in Texas, and the family is  
19 most deserving of special recognition for its notable endeavors;  
20 now, therefore, be it

21           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
22 Legislature hereby honor the members of the D. P. Smith family for  
23 their contributions to the Texas cattle industry and extend to them  
24 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for the family as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
3 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1487 was adopted by the House on May 20, 2005, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House