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H.C.R. No. 249

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Friends and family are mourning the loss of Clyde  
2 Donald Smith of Paris, Texas, who passed away on May 2, 2009, at the  
3 age of 69; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on April 1, 1940, to Clyde and Ruby Phipps Smith  
5 in Lamar County, Don Smith graduated from Cunningham High School in  
6 1958 and answered his nation's call to duty with service in the U.S.  
7 Army, 49th Armored Division; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith married Nita Gordon in 1961, and the  
9 couple shared 47 rewarding years of life together; they raised a  
10 loving family that included a son, Nick, and a daughter-in-law,  
11 Rhonda, as well as two grandchildren, Shea and Trevor; and

12 WHEREAS, An employee of the Campbell Soup Company before his  
13 retirement, Mr. Smith also worked as a cattle rancher; he belonged  
14 to the United Pentecostal Church, where he was a member of the board  
15 and head usher; and

16 WHEREAS, Don Smith devoted himself to serving his country,  
17 his family, and his faith, and he leaves his loved ones with many  
18 treasured memories of the happy times they spent in his company;  
19 now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the 81st Legislature of the State of Texas  
21 hereby pay tribute to the life of Clyde Donald Smith and extend  
22 sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Nita  
23 Smith; to his son, Nick Smith, and his wife, Rhonda; to his  
24 grandchildren, Shea and Trevor Smith; to his brother, Gene Smith,

1 and his wife, Cecelia; to his sisters, Pauline Plott, Marie Yancy,  
2 and Cynthia Smith; to his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Leta  
3 and Gary Holcomb; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it  
4 further

5         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
7 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of  
8 Don Smith.