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H.R. No. 2310

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories
2 of Bryan Wilbur Smith of Centerville, who passed away on June 26,
3 2014, at the age of 87; and

4 WHEREAS, Born to Walter and Esther Smith in Houston on April
5 26, 1927, "Bebe" Smith began working for his father's paving
6 company at the age of 14; he spent the next six and a half decades
7 with the firm and became the owner of the company in 1969; Mr. Smith
8 helped to pave many of the streets in the Bayou City, and over the
9 course of his career he received several awards from the Associated
10 General Contractors of America; and

11 WHEREAS, Bebe Smith married the former Anna Lee Blakeway on
12 January 4, 1950, and the couple enjoyed 62 rewarding years together
13 before her passing; he was the proud father of two daughters, Donna
14 and Sandra, and he later welcomed many grandchildren and
15 great-grandchildren into his treasured family; and

16 WHEREAS, A devout Christian, Mr. Smith strove always to live
17 according to the ideals and beliefs he held dear; and

18 WHEREAS, Sustained by his deep faith, Bryan Smith achieved a
19 life that was rich in family, friends, and accomplishments, and
20 those who were privileged to share in his love and affection will
21 forever hold him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Bryan Wilbur Smith
24 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his

1 daughters and their spouses, Donna Schlabach and her husband,
2 Larry, and Sandra McDuffy and her husband, Michael; to his
3 siblings, Mildred Wier, Cora Starnes, Kathleen Castleberry and her
4 husband, Robert, Audrey Eckleman and her husband, Don, and Jerry
5 Smith and his wife, Joni; to his brother-in-law, Thomas Blakeway;
6 to his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and to his other
7 relatives and friends; and, be it further

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