

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Dr. George Norvell Smith has been named the  
2 recipient of the 2017 Osteopathic Family Physician of the Year  
3 Award by the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians; and

4           WHEREAS, A Del Rio native, Dr. Smith received his bachelor's  
5 degree in biology from The University of Texas at El Paso and went  
6 on to graduate from the Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine  
7 in 1974; he has been employed as the director of Talecris Plasma  
8 Resources, West Rest Haven, and West Emergency Medical Services;  
9 during the tragic West Fertilizer Company fire and explosion in  
10 2013, he guided the shelter-in-place strategy at the nursing home,  
11 and although he was injured, he helped coordinate triage efforts  
12 for the town; and

13           WHEREAS, Dedicated to his profession, Dr. Smith is a founder  
14 of the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association and has served the  
15 organization in a number of leadership roles, including president;  
16 he also served as president of the Texas Medical Directors  
17 Association and of the Texas College of Osteopathic Family  
18 Physicians, and he is a member of the board of governors of the  
19 Texas College of Osteopathic Family Practitioners, which named him  
20 2006 Family Physician of the Year; and

21           WHEREAS, Dr. Smith has served on the West Hospital Authority  
22 board of directors for more than three decades, and he became its  
23 president in 2009; moreover, he has served the West Independent  
24 School District as a team physician and as a member of the Health

1 Advisory Committee; he has benefited the wider community as  
2 president of the Kiwanis Club, as president of the Sokol Gymnastics  
3 Association of West, as associate director and Safety Committee  
4 chair for Westfest, and as a volunteer announcer for the West Youth  
5 Baseball and Softball Association; in 2002, the West Chamber of  
6 Commerce named him Citizen of the Year, and among many other  
7 accolades, he has received the Jefferson Award from the American  
8 Institute for Public Service; and

9 WHEREAS, Through his professional and civic contributions,  
10 George Smith has made a lasting, positive difference in his  
11 community and beyond, and he is truly deserving of this prestigious  
12 honor; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
14 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. George Norvell Smith on his  
15 receipt of the 2017 Osteopathic Family Physician of the Year Award  
16 from the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians; and, be  
17 it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
19 prepared for Dr. Smith as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
20 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 769

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 769 was adopted by the House on March 16, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House