

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 594

WHEREAS, Renowned broadcaster and reporter David Alan Smoak has been inducted into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame as a member of the Class of 2025; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Tyler Junior College and Stephen F. Austin State University, Mr. Smoak began covering Texas high school football as a television reporter in 1981 at KTRE-TV in Lufkin; he went on to join KLTV in Tyler, where he also worked as a lead sports anchor and analyst at other stations; in 1988, he earned national acclaim for his feature "Jamie's Season," which documented the final days of Jamie Sexson, the beloved ball boy of the Marshall High School football team who passed away from leukemia; additionally, Mr. Smoak was a longtime fixture on the East Texas radio airwaves, hosting the afternoon *Sports Talk* show and joining ESPN-Central Texas in Waco in 2010 as a program director and host; and

WHEREAS, Today, Mr. Smoak serves as director of broadcasting and sales at SicEm365 Radio and 365 Sports on YouTube, and he oversees smoaky.com, a website he launched nearly a quarter century ago that has been at the forefront of covering East and Central Texas high school sports; dedicated to giving back, he has further distinguished himself in the community by establishing programs that honor student-athletes for academic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smoak's professional affiliations include membership with the Football Writers Association of America and the Pro Football Writers of America; moreover, he has a vote for the Heisman Trophy and Biletnikoff Award and is on the ballot committees for the Texas Sports Hall of Fame and the Texas High

School Football Hall of Fame; he is a member of the East Texas Coaches Association Hall of Honor, and among his many other accolades, he has received Associated Press awards for sports talk show, play-by-play broadcasting, and television sportscast as well as the Tyler Junior College Spirit Award; in all his endeavors, he benefits from the love and support of his wife, Cindy, and their two children, Craig and Jennifer; and

WHEREAS, David Smoak has devoted himself to the game of football, entertaining and informing countless fans in the Lone Star State over the course of his exceptional career, and he is indeed deserving of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby congratulate David Alan Smoak on his induction into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for David Smoak as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 31, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate