

House Resolution 899

By: Representative Coleman of the 65<sup>th</sup>

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Wharton “Paul” Smith IV; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Wharton “Paul” Smith IV of Troop 419 will attain, on March 10, 2003, the rank  
3 of Eagle Scout, the most distinguished rank conferred by the Boy Scouts of America; and

4 WHEREAS, a candidate for the most exceptional award in scouting must complete a  
5 rigorous program of training and demonstrate his proficiency in selected scouting techniques  
6 and attainment of the highest ideals of scouting; and

7 WHEREAS, only one scout out of 97 ever reaches this lofty level of achievement, and  
8 Wharton “Paul” Smith IV has ably demonstrated his aptitude and competency in mastering  
9 the various special skills taught through the Boy Scout program; and

10 WHEREAS, this outstanding young man has truly exhibited a commitment to the scouting  
11 principles of honesty and fairness and has consistently conducted himself in a manner  
12 becoming an Eagle Scout; and

13 WHEREAS, in a world which consistently seems to accentuate the negative aspects of the  
14 actions of young people, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with  
15 particularity the outstanding accomplishments of this extraordinary individual.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
17 the members of this body commend Wharton “Paul” Smith IV for his diligence and  
18 dedication in pursuing the highest honor awarded by the Boy Scouts of America and  
19 congratulate him on attaining the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
21 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Wharton “Paul” Smith IV.