

House Resolution 148EX

By: Representative Crawford of the 16th

A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the passing of Mr. Steven "Steve" Bennett Smith; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recently lost one of its most distinguished citizens with the
4 passing of Mr. Steven "Steve" Bennett Smith on July 20, 2011, at the age of 64; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was born on October 2, 1946, in Lafayette, son of the late Otis
6 Edmund "O. E." Smith, Jr. and the late Winnie Elizabeth Bennett Smith; and

7 WHEREAS, he graduated from Rockmart High School in 1964 and from the University of
8 Georgia College of Pharmacy in 1969; and

9 WHEREAS, he was co-owner of Smith-Lockwood Drug Store in Rockmart which was
10 established in 1947 by his father, Mr. Otis E. Smith, Jr.; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was a member of the First Baptist Church of Rockmart for 64 years
12 where he served as a deacon, and was recognized throughout his life as a man dedicated to
13 church, family, and community; and

14 WHEREAS, he was a respected Rockmart City Councilman for seven years, Mayor for
15 sixteen years, member of the Polk County Development Authority, and 1987 Rockmart Man
16 of the Year; and

17 WHEREAS, survivors include his wife, Carol Chapman Smith of Rockmart; two daughters
18 and sons-in-law, Sondi and David Vest of Rockmart and Alexa and Brian Lucas of Newnan;
19 brother, Dr. Paul E. Smith of Rockmart; and four grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Smith was a proven and trustworthy community advocate, pharmacist,
21 family member, and friend.

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22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
23 the members of this body express regret at the passing of Mr. Steven "Steve" Bennett Smith
24 and convey their condolences to his loving family and friends.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Steven
27 "Steve" Bennett Smith.