

By: Representative Nicholson

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SMITH FAMILY FOR THEIR TREMENDOUS  
2 SACRIFICE TO THE UNITED STATES MILITARY AND FOR LOYAL AND  
3 DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

4 WHEREAS, Robert Bruce Smith married Julia Ann Whinery in 1913  
5 in Neshoba County, Mississippi, and to their union were born ten  
6 children: three daughters, Nettie McRee, Mary Ann and Emma Lou;  
7 and seven sons, Morris Herman, Jasper Henry, Harry Lee, Jackson  
8 Eliot, Thomas Jefferson, Grady Lamar and Robert Bruce, Jr.; and

9 WHEREAS, six of their seven sons were called to duty and  
10 served concurrently in the defense of the United States during  
11 World War II; and

12 WHEREAS, Morris Herman Smith served in the United States Army  
13 and was stationed in the United States; Jasper Henry Smith served  
14 in the United States Army, was stationed in the Pacific and  
15 received medals for the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign; Harry Lee Smith  
16 served in the United States Army, was stationed in the Pacific and  
17 received medals for Good Conduct, the American Defense Service,  
18 Asian Philippines Theater Operations, and two Bronze Stars;  
19 Jackson Eliot Smith served in the United States Army, was  
20 stationed in Africa and Europe and received a Purple Heart medal,  
21 a Silver Star medal, an AEMETO medal, and a Good Conduct medal;  
22 and Thomas Jefferson Smith and Grady Lamar Smith both served in  
23 the United States Navy and were stationed in the Pacific; and

24 WHEREAS, after service to their country, all six sons  
25 returned home, were married, raised families and five of the sons  
26 taught in the State of Mississippi for some or all of their  
27 careers; and



28           WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to  
29 commend families of Mississippi who have made tremendous  
30 sacrifices to the defense of our country:

31           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
32 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby  
33 commend the Smith family for their tremendous sacrifice to the  
34 United States military and for their loyal and dedicated service  
35 to the United States of America.

36           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be  
37 furnished to the Smith family and to members of the Capitol Press  
38 Corps.

