

## House Resolution 1242

By: Representatives Collins of the 68<sup>th</sup>, Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>, Kelley of the 16<sup>th</sup>, and Powell of the 32<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Ronald "Ronny" Riggs Smith; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Ronald "Ronny" Riggs Smith on February 14, 2020; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Ronny was born on February 9, 1933, a beloved son of the late Percy S. Smith  
5 and Ludelle Dyer Riggs Smith; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty as a corporal with  
7 the United States Army, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans; and
- 8 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Ronny was an active member of Tabernacle  
9 Baptist Church; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern  
11 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his  
12 family and friends were admired by others; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
14 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he  
15 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Ronny impacted his community greatly as co-founder and partner of Smith  
17 Brothers Home Improvement and Smith Brothers Supply Company; he was also a member  
18 of the Kiwanis Club, Carrollton Booster Club, the Georgia Walking Horse Association, and  
19 Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders and Exhibitors Association; and

20 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Ronny will long be remembered for his  
21 love of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great  
22 fortune of knowing him.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
24 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Ronald "Ronny" Riggs  
25 Smith and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
27 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the  
28 family of Ronald "Ronny" Riggs Smith.