

2012 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 582

Celebrating the life of Michael Earl Smith.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, May 14, 2012

WHEREAS, Michael Earl Smith of Roanoke, the former executive director of a family service organization, an elder in his church, a devoted family man, and a friend to many people, passed away on November 29, 2011; and

WHEREAS, a native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Michael Smith had a strong faith that manifested itself in many ways; he is remembered for his wonderfully bright smile, his compassion, and his caring approach to all who came his way; and

WHEREAS, in his work as executive director of the YMCA Family Center, Michael Smith focused on serving all ages, providing a safe and nurturing environment in which children and their families could prosper and thrive; and

WHEREAS, Michael Smith was an elder at Garden of Prayer #7 Vision of Faith Ministries Inc., and in that role, he inspired many people to better themselves; he made a lasting impression on all who knew him, giving selflessly of his time and talents to church members and their families; and

WHEREAS, Michael Smith will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife, Roberta; his parents, Elder Jerry Smith, Sr., and Catherine Smith; his children and grandchildren; and many other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of an esteemed and devout man whose life centered around service to others, Michael Earl Smith; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Michael Earl Smith as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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