

RESOLUTION NO. 514

WHEREAS, Howard W. Smith contributed significantly to his city, his state, and his country by a life of public service spanning more than half a century, and

WHEREAS, Judge Smith was a member of the Alexandria Common Council from 1908 to 1918, serving as vice president or president for eight of those years, and

WHEREAS, Judge Smith was editor, publisher and Co-owner of the Alexandria Gazette during the 1920's; and

WHEREAS, Judge Smith served as commonwealth's attorney for Alexandria, and

WHEREAS, Judge Smith served as judge of the Corporation Court and later the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit of Virginia, and

WHEREAS, Judge Smith then was to Congress in 1930, and continued to faithfully serve his constituency for thirty-six years, and

WHEREAS, Judge Smith rose to a position of great esteem and influence in the United States Congress, chairing the House Rules Committee for over a decade, and

WHEREAS, Judge Smith affected the life of his family, his friends, community and country in measures that will extend long past his death on October 3, 1976.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Alexandria, Virginia, expresses its sadness at his passing and extends its deepest sympathy to Judge Smith's family.

Adopted October 12, 1976

Helen Holleman, Clerk of the City
of Alexandria, Virginia