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H.R. No. 92

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Monte Dean Cluck, a fourth-generation farmer and
2 rancher and the CEO of Dean Cluck Feedyard, Inc., has garnered
3 well-deserved recognition with his receipt of the 2020 National
4 Golden Spur Award; and

5 WHEREAS, The National Golden Spur Award honors individuals
6 who have achieved widespread respect through their lifetime
7 achievements in the ranching and livestock industries; established
8 in 1978, the accolade is presented annually and is jointly
9 sponsored by the American Quarter Horse Association, the National
10 Cattlemen's Foundation, the Ranching Heritage Association, the
11 Texas Cattle Feeders Association, the Texas Farm Bureau, and the
12 Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association; and

13 WHEREAS, The son of Dean and Rita Cluck, who were pioneers of
14 the cattle feeding industry, Monte Dean Cluck was raised in Gruver,
15 where his flagship feedyard operates today; as the CEO of Dean Cluck
16 Feedyard and general partner of Dean Cluck Cattle Co., he presides
17 over a company with three locations in the Texas Panhandle and a
18 total feeding capacity of 102,000 head; and

19 WHEREAS, The Cluck family business has grown and prospered
20 under Mr. Cluck's guidance, and it currently has a staff of more
21 than 100 people; the company is an Employee Stock Ownership
22 Program, which allows staff members to invest in it and share in the
23 profits, and for the past 20 years, Mr. Cluck has also offered
24 scholarships to the children of his longtime employees; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Cluck has generously shared his time and talents
2 for the benefit of his industry; he served for 11 years on the board
3 of directors of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, including six
4 years on its executive committee and a stint as its chair in 2009;
5 additionally, he has contributed to the TCFA as a member of its
6 Budget and Audit Committee, and he has further served as a trustee
7 and as the 2010 chair of BEEF-PAC, the organization's political
8 action committee; in 2008, he had the honor of being appointed to
9 the Texas Water Development Board by then-Governor Rick Perry; and

10 WHEREAS, Monte Dean Cluck has distinguished himself through
11 his vision, expertise, and unwavering commitment to the continued
12 growth and vitality of agriculture in the Lone Star State, and he
13 may indeed take great pride in his receipt of this prestigious
14 recognition from his peers; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
16 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Monte Dean
17 Cluck on his receipt of the 2020 National Golden Spur Award and
18 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and
19 happiness; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for Mr. Cluck as an expression of high regard by the Texas
22 House of Representatives.