## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Tarleton State University attained a significant accomplishment in 2005 when it became just the fifth school ever to win both the men's and women's national collegiate rodeo championships in the same year; and

WHEREAS, Competing at the 2005 College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, Wyoming, the two Tarleton teams received numerous notable individual performances from team members; and

WHEREAS, The men's team dominated its competition, scoring 1,485 points and more than doubling the score of the second-place finisher; meanwhile, the women's team staged a come-from-behind victory on the event's final evening, thanks to second-place finishes in breakaway roping and goat tying; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Watkins and Cody Horwedel picked up national championships in tie-down roping and saddle bronc riding, respectively, while former national champions Jackie Hobbs and Tessie McMullan paced the women's team; other vital contributions were made by Clayton Jackson, Sara Scott, Neelley Riley, Bray Armes, York Gill, and Blake Teixeira; and

WHEREAS, These outstanding young rodeo riders are a tremendous source of pride to their family, friends, and fellow students, and it is a pleasure to honor them for their hard work, dedication, and commitment to excellence in the sport of rodeo; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Coach Bob Doty and the members of the Tarleton State University rodeo teams on winning the 2005 College National Finals Rodeo and extend best wishes to these talented individuals for continued success in all their endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the teams as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

