

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Thundering Hooves equestrian drill team of  
2 Matagorda County has delighted audiences throughout the state with  
3 its stunning performances of this unique form of family  
4 entertainment; and

5           WHEREAS, Superior ability, outstanding determination, and  
6 tremendous pride have been the hallmark of every team member,  
7 including Erron Anderson, Kendra Cox, Amber Dale, Kalley Fikes,  
8 Danica Finley, Paige Johnson, Amy Lee (leader), Courtney Leissner,  
9 Amy Murphree, Kari Murphree, Jodi Richardson, Tiera Shipman, Amanda  
10 Vecera, Beverly Vickrey, Marisa Vickrey (leader), and Alex Walker;  
11 and

12           WHEREAS, Through the years, Thundering Hooves has attracted  
13 many new fans with a host of stellar performances at such popular  
14 events as the Texas Classic and Champion of Champions show, the  
15 Texas Quarter Horse Association shows, the CPRA rodeo at Coushatta  
16 in Kinder, Louisiana, and the Washington Mutual Thanksgiving Day  
17 Parade in Houston; along the way, the group has earned a number of  
18 prestigious accolades, including the declaration of July 24, 2004,  
19 as Thundering Hooves Day in Bay City by Mayor Richard Knapik, a  
20 second place win in the Matagorda County Rice Festival parade  
21 band/drill team section, and first place honors in the Drill  
22 Competition in 2003 and 2004; moreover, the team was named state  
23 champions in 1996, 2002, 2003, and 2004, and United States  
24 Equestrian Drill Competition National Champions in 2004; and

1           WHEREAS, The talented members of Thundering Hooves help to  
2 promote our proud Western heritage and exemplify the true spirit of  
3 Texas through their superb performances on horseback; now,  
4 therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
6 Legislature hereby congratulate the Thundering Hooves equestrian  
7 drill team for its outstanding success and extend to all those  
8 associated with the group sincere best wishes for continued good  
9 fortune; and, be it further

10          RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for the Thundering Hooves as an expression of high regard  
12 by the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 140

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 140 was adopted by the House on  
February 17, 2005, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House