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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The American sport known as rodeo is one of the
2 nation's most distinctive pastimes, and the highly skilled men,
3 women, and young people who have mastered its events are rightly
4 held in high esteem by their appreciative audiences; and

5 WHEREAS, Rodeo's universal appeal makes its practitioners
6 ideal goodwill ambassadors, and the 2004 tour of the People's
7 Republic of China by the American Rodeo Experience confirmed this
8 fact over the course of a dozen performances; and

9 WHEREAS, Although the American Rodeo Experience's status as
10 the first such production to tour China meant that its audiences
11 were largely unfamiliar with the sport's traditions, local crowds
12 quickly warmed to the spectacle, thrilled by their first glimpse of
13 such classic rodeo entertainments as bull riding, bareback and
14 saddle bronc riding, and calf roping; and

15 WHEREAS, That the American Rodeo Experience delighted
16 Chinese audiences was hardly surprising, given the high standard of
17 rodeo talent assembled for this ground-breaking tour, and among
18 those contributing to the success of this exciting international
19 venture were co-producers Casey Harp and Stoney Field, coordinator
20 Glenn McIlvain, Norm Caja, Tanner Lal, Shaun Strickland, Aaron
21 Brewer, Drew Mangus, Tony Booths, Deric Parks, Tony Nordahl, Cody
22 Wortham, Doug Fish, Aaron Means, Jason Pierce, Casey Hayn, Scotty
23 McCoi, Dale Jefferson, and Phillip, Julie, Rider, and Roper
24 Kiesner; and

1 WHEREAS, Through their outstanding performances, these
2 exceptional rodeo artists have not only provided top-flight
3 entertainment to countless individuals around the world but also
4 opened new avenues of communication and understanding between the
5 peoples of the world; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate the participants in the American
8 Rodeo Experience tour of China and extend to them sincere best
9 wishes for continued success.