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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives takes pleasure in
2 recognizing Jim Short, who has recently distinguished himself in
3 one of the world's premier cutting horse competitions; and

4 WHEREAS, Cutting horses have been an integral part of the
5 history of this state since the earliest days of working cattle on
6 open ranges, and they are still used today to work cattle on
7 thousands of ranches; and

8 WHEREAS, The real ranch work of cutting horses has evolved
9 into a major equine sport with some 2,000 competitions annually and
10 a total purse of some \$28 million; the National Cutting Horse
11 Association conducts three of the world's premier cutting horse
12 competitions in Fort Worth each year; known as the Triple Crown of
13 Cutting, these events are the Futurity, the Super-Stakes, and the
14 Summer Spectacular; and

15 WHEREAS, The third jewel in the Triple Crown of Cutting, the
16 Summer Spectacular, takes place over the course of three weeks in
17 July at Will Rogers Coliseum; in 2012, more than 100 amateur
18 competitors hailing from nine countries competed in the premier
19 event for four-year-olds known as the Summer Spectacular Derby; and

20 WHEREAS, Among the entrants was Jim Short, who has been a
21 competitor and a member of the National Cutting Horse Association
22 for 22 years; a dedicated advocate for the National Cutting Horse
23 Association and a formidable competitor who has won numerous
24 cuttings and has distinguished himself as a finalist in many major

1 shows across the nation, Jim Short rode his mare Dual Ticket to
2 score 217 points and win the Derby Amateur and Derby Senior Amateur
3 divisions in the 2012 Summer Spectacular; and

4 WHEREAS, An exemplary gentleman and a fierce competitor,
5 Mr. Short embodies the qualities of a true horseman, and he is much
6 admired for his commitment to the advancement of the competition
7 sport of cutting; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
9 Legislature hereby commend Jim Short on his many achievements in
10 the cutting horse arena and congratulate him on his victory in the
11 National Cutting Horse Association's 2012 Summer Spectacular Derby
12 in Fort Worth; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mr. Short as an expression of high regard by the Texas
15 House of Representatives.