

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Matador Ranch has been named the recipient of the
2 2013 Best Remuda Award by the American Quarter Horse Association
3 and its corporate partner Zoetis, and it is being honored at the
4 Working Ranch Cowboys Association World Championship Ranch Rodeo
5 taking place in Amarillo in November; and

6 WHEREAS, Created by AQHA in 1992, the Remuda Award recognizes
7 the dedicated efforts of establishments that breed and raise a
8 specialized group of horses used for ranching and penning cattle;
9 any ranch is eligible for the accolade if it has five or more
10 American Quarter Horse mares used to produce horses for ranch work
11 and is a member of the AQHA; and

12 WHEREAS, The 130,000-acre Matador Ranch spans parts of
13 Motley, Dickens, Floyd, Cottle, and Crosby Counties and includes
14 acreage that was originally part of the Matador Land and Cattle Co.,
15 which dates back to the late 1800s; since 1952, the ranch has been
16 owned by The Matador Cattle Co., a division of Koch Agriculture
17 Company; and

18 WHEREAS, An AQHA Ranching Heritage Breeder, Matador has been
19 affiliated with the association since the 1940s and is an AQHA
20 35-year cumulative breeder; the ranch consistently produces horses
21 that are able to safely traverse rough terrain and that have
22 outstanding cow ability; the ranch has participated in AQHA ranch
23 horse competitions and Ranch Horse Association of America events,
24 and it is a host of the 2013 Legends of the American Quarter Horse

1 Trail Ride; and

2 WHEREAS, With its commitment to raising high-quality
3 American Quarter Horses, Matador Ranch is meeting a significant
4 need, and it is indeed a pleasure to recognize the business at this
5 point in its rich history; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Matador Ranch on its receipt of the
8 2013 Best Remuda Award from the American Quarter Horse Association
9 and Zoetis and extend to all those associated with the operation
10 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

Springer

H.R. No. 2533

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2533 was adopted by the House on May 24, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House