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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Reaching the pinnacle of success in his sport,
 Cooper Davis was named the 2016 Professional Bull Riders World
 Champion on November 6; and

WHEREAS, A Jasper native, Mr. Davis began his PBR career in 2015, and he notched a dramatic victory that year when he became just the fourth rookie competitor in history to win first place at the organization's World Finals event; and

8 WHEREAS, The talented young Texan had a slow start in 2016 9 because of an injury that kept him from performing at some of the 10 year's early events, and he also suffered a broken collarbone 11 partway through the season; refusing to give up on his championship 12 dream, he was back in action just 17 days after undergoing surgery 13 and made a strong showing in the latter part of the year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis entered the PBR World Finals in Las Vegas as a top contender for the World Champion title; on the final day of the weeklong contest, he earned an outstanding 91-point score in the fifth round of the competition, clinching third place at the event and propelling him to first place in the overall rankings for the season; and

20 WHEREAS, Through skill, hard work, and perseverance, Cooper 21 Davis has distinguished himself as the top bull rider in the world, 22 and he may indeed reflect with pride on this remarkable 23 accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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Legislature hereby congratulate Cooper Davis on winning the 2016
 PBR World Champion title and extend to him sincere best wishes for
 continued success; and, be it further

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