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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Callie duPerier Apffel of Boerne earned a spot on 2 the Bandera County Cowboy Champion Monument on December 27, 2016, 3 an honor that follows her exceptional achievement of becoming the 4 2015 Women's Professional Rodeo Association World Champion Barrel 5 Racer; and

6 WHEREAS, Raised in Bandera, Ms. duPerier Apffel began barrel 7 racing at the age of 13, and she has since experienced a meteoric 8 rise in the world of competitive rodeo; after capturing the WPRA 9 Junior World Title in 2010, she won numerous competitions in 2014, 10 including the Coleman PRCA Rodeo and the Cowboy Capital Pro Rodeo, 11 and by the end of the year, she ranked 25th in the world; and

12 WHEREAS, To secure her 2015 world barrel racing title, Ms. duPerier Apffel and her equine partner, Rare Dillion, placed 13 14 first in the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo Average Barrel Racing Championship, proving themselves top performers through 10 runs and 15 16 finishing with an outstanding cumulative time of 140.41 seconds; her victory in the Wrangler NFR competition in Las Vegas put her 17 total year-end earnings at \$303,846 and placed her at the top of the 18 WPRA world barrel racing standings; and 19

20 WHEREAS, In recognition of her world championship triumph, 21 the Bandera County Historical Commission honored Ms. duPerier 22 Apffel by adding her name to the Bandera County Cowboy Champion 23 Monument, making her the first woman to be listed on the statue; and 24 WHEREAS, This gifted rider has distinguished herself through

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1 her exceptional skill and unwavering commitment to excellence, and 2 she may indeed take justifiable pride in her outstanding success in 3 the field of professional rodeo; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Callie duPerier Apffel on earning the title of 2015 WPRA World Champion Barrel Racer and commend her on her inclusion among the legendary figures enshrined on the Bandera County Cowboy Champion Monument; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for Ms. duPerier Apffel as an expression of high regard by 11 the Texas House of Representatives.

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