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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Craig Thompson has enjoyed remarkable success as a horse trainer and as a competitor in National Cutting Horse Association events; and

WHEREAS, Working in sync with his horse, Oh Cay Felix, Mr. Thompson claimed his first NCHA Futurity Open Championship in 2006; five years later, riding a horse named Oh Miss Caroline, he repeated as futurity champion, becoming only the eighth person in NCHA history to secure two Futurity Open crowns; overall, he has won more than $3 million in NCHA arenas during the course of his exceptional career; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson and his wife, Sasha, own and operate Craig Thompson Cutting Horses in Lufkin; the couple first met at a cutting competition in Brenham, and they later married and became the proud parents of two sons, Chase and Catch; through the years, Mr. Thompson has drawn inspiration from his parents, Mike and Anne Thompson, and his grandfather, Thomas Nichols, as well as from numerous mentors; a man of faith and humility, he is admired for his positive attitude, impeccable work ethic, and generous nature; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson holds a business administration degree from Mississippi State University, and he has also worked in the poultry industry; and

WHEREAS, Craig Thompson has demonstrated outstanding skill and dedication in the pursuit of his professional goals, and his accomplishments indeed merit special recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Craig Thompson on his exemplary achievements in horse training and in NCHA competitions and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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