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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Cody Davenport of Boerne has distinguished himself in his role as the executive director and chief executive officer of the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo; and

WHEREAS, Appointed to his office on June 1, 2018, Mr. Davenport brought a wealth of knowledge and experience to his duties; he first began volunteering for the rodeo in 1994 as a member of the Junior Livestock Auction Committee, and he went on to serve on numerous other committees; he also founded the Corral Club to hold fundraising events in support of the auction participants, and he helped organize the rodeo's first Bar-B-Que Cook-off and Festival and served as its chair from 2000 to 2005; the event, which contributes to the scholarship fund, has grown to include hundreds of teams; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davenport was promoted to the post of assistant vice president with the rodeo in 2005, and he joined the executive committee as a vice president in 2009, later taking on an additional role as secretary; he became the rodeo's president in 2015 and served for three years before beginning his tenure as executive director and CEO; and

WHEREAS, A sixth-generation Texan whose family has deep roots in ranching and agriculture, Mr. Davenport holds a bachelor's degree in military history from Texas State University and a master's degree in construction management from Texas A&M University; in addition to his work with the rodeo, he is the owner of the Neal's Lodges resort in Concan and previously worked as a home builder and developer; highly dedicated to his community, he serves as a volunteer first responder and emergency medical technician; and

WHEREAS, Cody Davenport has devoted himself to furthering the proud legacy of the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, and his efforts are greatly appreciated by all those who are involved in organizing and staging this beloved event; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby commend Cody Davenport on his service as the executive director and CEO of the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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