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H.R. No. 844

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Josh Edwards of Forney has been inducted into the
2 Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame in 2025; and

3 WHEREAS, In 1999, Mr. Edwards began working with Rafter G
4 Rodeo while attending Hill College; he competed in calf roping
5 before becoming a dedicated pickup rider, who plays a critical role
6 in rescuing a rodeo competitor from a bucking horse; Mr. Edwards
7 discovered that the pickup rider's duties combined everything he
8 loved about rodeo--roping, horsemanship, timing, and a deep
9 understanding of animals--and over the course of a career spanning
10 a quarter century, he has picked up more than 100,000 horses across
11 25 of the top Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association tour rodeos;
12 among his numerous accolades, he is a two-time National Finals
13 Rodeo Pickup Man and three-time National Finals Steer Roping Pickup
14 Man, and in 2023, he was named the PRCA Pickup Man of the Year;
15 committed to passing down the traditions of rodeo to the next
16 generation, he has been an active member of the PRCA Board of
17 Directors, the NFR Rodeo Committee, and the Texas ProRodeo Circuit
18 Executive Board; and

19 WHEREAS, Outside of the arena, Mr. Edwards is an entrepreneur
20 who has managed businesses in medical device sales, auto repair,
21 hair styling, and excavation; he has also worked as a radiology
22 technician and performed as a stuntman in several films and
23 television shows; in his leisure time, he participates in such
24 grueling competitions as Ironman races, and in 2024, he placed

1 third in the Mongol Derby; and

2 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Edwards enjoys the love
3 and support of his wife, Kristi, and their two sons, Blevin and
4 Brinnon; and

5 WHEREAS, Through his embodiment of the cowboy code of
6 integrity, humility, and an unwavering devotion to the sport of
7 rodeo, Josh Edwards is indeed deserving of a place in the Texas
8 Cowboy Hall of Fame; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Josh Edwards on his induction into
11 the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame and extend to him sincere best wishes
12 for the future; and, be it further

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