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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 5020

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION designating the fourth Saturday in July as National Day of the Cowboy.

WHEREAS, Pioneering men and women, recognized as cowboys, helped establish the American West; and

WHEREAS, That cowboy spirit continues to infuse this country with its solid character, sound family values and good common sense; and

WHEREAS, The cowboy embodies honesty, integrity, courage, compassion, respect, a strong work ethic, and patriotism; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 725,000 ranchers are conducting business in all 50 States and are contributing to the economic well being of nearly every county in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Annual attendance at professional and working-ranch rodeo events exceeds 27 million fans and is the seventh most-watched sport in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The cowboy is an American icon and to recognize the cowboy is to acknowledge the on-going commitment of the United States to an esteemed and enduring code of conduct; and

WHEREAS, The on-going contributions made by cowboys to their communities should be recognized and encouraged: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas, the Senate concurring therein:* That we designate the fourth Saturday in July as National Day of the Cowboy and that we encourage the people of Kansas to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Adopted by the House April 3, 2009.

Adopted by the Senate April 3, 2009.

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