

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1029

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Honoring World Champion Saddle Bronc Champion Chad Ferley of Oelrichs, South Dakota.

WHEREAS, after being ranch-reared in southwestern South Dakota, Chad Ferley began his extraordinary rodeo career by compiling an impressive amateur record on the high school and college rodeo circuits; and

WHEREAS, after turning pro, he quickly climbed the standings and achieved his first PRCA saddle bronc championship in 2006 on his first qualification for the National Finals Rodeo; and

WHEREAS, since then, in spite of injuries and ranch obligations, he qualified for the National Finals Rodeo five more times in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2012, and 2013, winning at one time or another most of the traditional big name rodeos along the way; and

WHEREAS, Chad is the reigning PRCA Saddle Bronc Champ, having won his second world championship in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the little foothills ranching community of Oelrichs is bursting with respect for his achievements, second only to the love and pride of his wife Jessica and his daughter Teagan; and

WHEREAS, the entire state is grateful to Chad for maintaining South Dakota's long tradition of being the preeminent bronc riding state; and

WHEREAS, Chad's trademark silver belly felt lends truth to the old adage that "good guys wear white hats":

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Ninth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, on behalf of his home state that he represents so well across Western and Midwestern America, congratulate Chad Ferley on his most recent outstanding achievement and wish him many more championship buckles.

Adopted by the House of Representatives,
Concurred in by the Senate,

February 26, 2014
March 10, 2014

Brian Gosch
Speaker of the House

Arlene Kvislen
Chief Clerk of the House

Matt Michels
President of the Senate

Jeannette Schipper
Secretary of the Senate