

# House Concurrent Resolution 25

Sponsored by Representative MCLANE, Senator WHITSETT

## SUMMARY

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Expresses support for designation of fourth Saturday in July as National Day of the Cowboy.

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas pioneering men and women, known as cowboys, helped push the boundaries of  
3 America's frontiers; and

4 Whereas the cowboy archetype transcends gender, generations, ethnicity, geographic boundaries  
5 and political affiliation; and

6 Whereas the cowboy embodies honesty, integrity, courage, compassion and determination; and

7 Whereas the cowboy spirit exemplifies patriotism and strength of character; and

8 Whereas the cowboy is an excellent steward of the land and its creatures; and

9 Whereas the core values expressed within the Code of the West continue to inspire the pursuit  
10 of the highest caliber of personal integrity; and

11 Whereas cowboy traditions have been part of the American landscape and culture since 1523,  
12 and today's cowboys and cowgirls continue to strive to preserve and perpetuate this unique element  
13 of America's heritage; and

14 Whereas the cowboy continues to be an important part of the United States economy through  
15 the work of approximately 656,500 ranches in all 50 states; and

16 Whereas annual attendance at rodeos exceeds 30 million fans worldwide; and

17 Whereas membership and participation in events and organizations that perpetuate the skills  
18 and livelihood of the cowboy, such as the National Day of the Cowboy, the Single Action Shooting  
19 Society, the Working Ranch Cowboys Association, the Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association, the  
20 American Quarter Horse Association, the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, Championship  
21 Bull Riding, the Women's Professional Rodeo Association, the Western Music Association, the  
22 United States Team Roping Championships and others, continue to expand nationally and interna-  
23 tionally; and

24 Whereas the cowboy and horse is a central image in literature, art, film, poetry, photography  
25 and music; and

26 Whereas the cowboy is a true American icon occupying a central place in the public's imag-  
27 ination; now, therefore,

### **Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

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29 That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the Seventy-seventh Legislative As-  
30 sembly, express our support for the designation of the fourth Saturday in July of each year as a  
31 National Day of the Cowboy; and be it further

32 Resolved, That we encourage the people of Oregon to observe the day with appropriate cere-

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