

## HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1025

Introduced by: Representatives Olson (Betty), Bartling, Bolin, Cammack, Campbell, Craig, Cronin, Duvall, Ecklund, Feickert, Greenfield, Hansen, Heinert, Hoffman, Hunhoff (Bernie), Johns, Kaiser, Kopp, Lust, May, Miller, Nelson, Peterson, Qualm, Russell, Schaefer, Schrempp, Sly, Verchio, and Wink and Senators Maher, Begalka, Bradford, Brown, Ewing, Frerichs, Jensen, Johnston, Jones, Kirkeby, Krebs, Lucas, Monroe, Otten (Ernie), Rampelberg, Rhoden, Sutton, Vehle, and Welke

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Recognizing Saturday, July 27, 2013, as the National Day of the American Cowboy.

WHEREAS, nine years ago, the good folks who publish the *American Cowboy Magazine* decided to promote the National Day of the American Cowboy as a catalyst to encourage local western cultural events and activities in celebration of our proud western heritage; and

WHEREAS, this initiative has been gathering momentum and is already an established success; and

WHEREAS, this summer a number of barbeques, ranch rodeos, cowboy poetry festivals, bull ridings, and other western heritage events have already been scheduled from venues as diverse as Okeechobee, Florida, and Norco, California; and

WHEREAS, the High Plains has not as yet achieved the degree of participation that Texas and the Low Plains states have demonstrated:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-Eighth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, formally recognizes Saturday, July 27, 2013, as the National Day of the American Cowboy and encourages our local communities to schedule activities celebrating our cowboy virtues and lifestyle.

