

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33

BY SENATOR GUILLORY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Mia Manzanares of Opelousas on being named the All-Around Cowgirl at the 2012 National High School Rodeo in Rock Springs, Wyoming, and at the 2012 International Finals Youth Rodeo in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

WHEREAS, the National High School Rodeo is held annually and is billed as the "world's largest rodeo"; and

WHEREAS, it features approximately one thousand five hundred contestants from across the United States, Canada, and Australia; and

WHEREAS, contestants vie for national titles, assorted prizes and their share of thousands of dollars in college scholarships; and

WHEREAS, the top twenty contestants in each event advance to a final round of competition to determine who will bring home the championship buckles; and

WHEREAS, girls compete in individual events including breakaway riding, barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying, and cutting; and

WHEREAS, in the 2012 National High School Rodeo competition, Mia Manzanares was named All-Around Cowgirl based on her three-head average score; and

WHEREAS, the International Finals Youth Rodeo is held annually in July at the Heart of Oklahoma Expo Center in Shawnee, Oklahoma, and hosts over one thousand school age cowboys and cowgirls from across the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is known as the "world's richest high school rodeo in the world"; and

WHEREAS, at the twentieth annual International Finals Youth Rodeo in July 2012, Mia Manzanares made her first trip to the event an unforgettable one by winning the All-Around Cowgirl title; and

WHEREAS, Mia finished in second place in both the first and second go-rounds and had a total time of 23.9 seconds to win the all-around title; and

WHEREAS, her father placed her on a horse when she was one month old and she has participated in rodeos since she was four years old; and

WHEREAS, as the all-around winner, Mia was awarded the use of a Bloomer trailer for a year; and

WHEREAS, it is only appropriate that a special measure of commendation be extended to Mia Manzanares as she is recognized with the utmost admiration and respect by the Louisiana Legislature for her accomplishments on the high school rodeo circuit.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Mia Manzanares for her outstanding accomplishments, does hereby express enduring appreciation to her for the tremendous pride, honor, and joy she brings to her family, friends, school, community, and the state of Louisiana, and does hereby extend to her every good wish for continued success and happiness in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Mia Manzanares.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES