

113TH CONGRESS
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Designating July 26, 2014, as “National Day of the American Cowboy”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. ENZI submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

Designating July 26, 2014, as “National Day of the
American Cowboy”.

Whereas pioneering men and women, recognized as “cow-
boys”, helped to establish the American West;

Whereas the cowboy embodies honesty, integrity, courage,
compassion, respect, a strong work ethic, and patriotism;

Whereas the cowboy spirit exemplifies strength of character,
sound family values, and good common sense;

Whereas the cowboy archetype transcends ethnicity, gender,
geographic boundaries, and political affiliations;

Whereas the cowboy, who lives off the land and works to pro-
tect and enhance the environment, is an excellent steward
of the land and its creatures;

Whereas cowboy traditions have been a part of American culture for generations;

Whereas the cowboy continues to be an important part of the economy through the work of many thousands of ranchers across the United States who contribute to the economic well-being of every State;

Whereas millions of fans watch professional and working ranch rodeo events annually, making rodeo one of the most-watched sports in the United States;

Whereas membership and participation in rodeo and other organizations that promote and encompass the livelihood of cowboys span every generation and transcend race and gender;

Whereas the cowboy is a central figure in literature, film, and music and occupies a central place in the public imagination;

Whereas the cowboy is an American icon; and

Whereas the ongoing contributions made by cowboys and cowgirls to their communities should be recognized and encouraged: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates July 26, 2014, as “National Day
3 of the American Cowboy”; and

4 (2) encourages the people of the United States
5 to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and
6 activities.