

By: Representatives Hood, Evans (45th),
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To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 20

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING TYLER PEARSON FOR
2 CAPTURING THE TITLE OF WORLD CHAMPION STEER WRESTLER AT THE 2017
3 WRANGLER NATIONAL FINALS RODEO IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA.

4 WHEREAS, Tyler Pearson, originally from Louisville,
5 Mississippi, received national recognition and worldwide fame when
6 he became the World Champion Steer Wrestler at the 2017 Wrangler
7 National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

8 WHEREAS, the son of Larry and Cheryl Pearson and the grandson
9 of Charlene Price and the late Thomas Price and the late Willis
10 and Pauline Pearson, Tyler realized his natural ability for riding
11 horses at the age of eight, and he began team roping and roped in
12 jackpots until he started competing in the Mississippi Junior High
13 School Rodeos when he was in the fifth grade; and

14 WHEREAS, during his formative years, Tyler competed in calf
15 roping, team roping, cutting and eventually steer wrestling,
16 winning All Around Awards at many rodeos and year end awards, and
17 he qualified for the High School Nationals all four years of high



18 school thanks in large part to his love for the sport and athletic
19 prowess; and

20 WHEREAS, Tyler attended college at the University of West
21 Alabama in Livingston, Alabama, where he competed on the rodeo
22 team and qualified for the College National Finals, placing fourth
23 in steer wrestling; and

24 WHEREAS, after college, Tyler devoted his time and energy to
25 the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association (PRCA), striving every
26 day to achieve his dreams and make it to the "Big Show," the
27 "Superbowl of Rodeos," the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas,
28 Nevada, and in 2013, that dream became a reality, as he qualified
29 in the top 15 in the world; and

30 WHEREAS, a couple of days before competition began at the
31 National Finals Rodeo, Tyler heard a pop, it came from his knee,
32 but he was determined to compete and remained resolute that he was
33 not going to let his knee keep him from the ropes and the reins,
34 so he strapped on a locked brace and proceeded to throw every
35 single steer in his 10 rounds of competition, ultimately placing
36 fourth in the average; and

37 WHEREAS, after the rodeo was over, Tyler had knee surgery but
38 was soon back to the bulls and the blood, the dust and the mud,
39 and his next qualification came in 2017, as he was ranked second
40 in the world going into the National Finals Rodeo competition; and

41 WHEREAS, during the 2017 National Finals Rodeo, Tyler had the
42 best rodeos of his career, throwing his steer in all 10 rounds of



43 competition to win second in average and capture the coveted title
44 of World Champion Steer Wrestler, a truly great honor that
45 culminated a lifetime of diligence and devotion spent chasing the
46 dream they call rodeo; and

47 WHEREAS, Tyler clinched the revered gold buckle with the help
48 of his swift, muscular, faithful horse, Scooter, who was named the
49 2017 Horse of the Year; and

50 WHEREAS, additionally, Tyler has won the Wrangler Champions
51 Challenge presented by Justin Boots, the Lawton Rangers Rodeo, the
52 La Fiesta De Los Vaqueros, the Silver State Stampede, the Hugo
53 PRCA Rodeo, the Johnson County Sheriff's Posse, the Rose City
54 Roundup, and was named co-champion at the Avi River Stampede PRCA
55 Rodeo; and

56 WHEREAS, his many successes, the joy and the pain would not
57 have been possible without the unwavering support of his wife and
58 biggest supporter, Carissa Purvis Pearson; children, Stetson and
59 Steelie; parents, Larry and Cheryl Pearson; other relatives and
60 friends; the wonderful people of his hometown, Louisville; and his
61 sponsors, 12 Gauge Ranch, CINCH JEANS, Resistol Hats, Purina,
62 Classic Equine, Hanna Equine Veterinary Services LLC, and RCI
63 Industries; and

64 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
65 recognize and commend fine Mississippians, especially those such
66 as Tyler Pearson, a young man with an unparalleled amount of
67 determination that set goals for himself and strives daily to



68 reach them, bringing honor to the Louisville community and to this
69 great Magnolia State:

70 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
71 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
72 commend and congratulate Tyler Pearson for capturing the title of
73 World Champion Steer Wrestler at the 2017 Wrangler National Finals
74 Rodeo in Las Vegas, Nevada, and extend most sincere wishes for
75 continued success in all of his future endeavors.

76 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
77 furnished to Tyler Pearson and to the members of the Capitol Press
78 Corps.

