

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 54

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR Gilligan Metcalf

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA EXPRESSING

RECOGNITION AND SUPPORT FOR THE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL RODEO

FINALS TO BE HELD AUGUST 15-21, 1977, AT THE LEWIS AND CLARK

COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS IN HELENA.

WHEREAS, 12,000 contestants from throughout the United

States compete annually in one of the most thrilling

spectator sports of all time, high school rodeo; and

WHEREAS, more than 800 Montana youth are involved in

high school rodeo and over 18,000 watched high school rodeo

in action in Montana last year; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, over 85,000 people watched a week of

rodeo in Sulphur, Louisiana, during the national finals; and

WHEREAS, the contestants traveled an average of 2,781

miles to and from the finals, brought an average of three

other persons with them to the finals, spent an average of

six nights in a motel room, and spent approximately \$388

each while at the finals; and

WHEREAS, those traveling with them spent an average of

\$145 or \$435 for every three persons, resulting in a total

economic impact in a host community and state of \$4.3

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Pastorski
Harrington
Dolan
Anderson
Hogswiller*

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Hager
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Salverson*

Kenny

*Ryan
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million; and

WHEREAS, there will be 1,643 top-notch rodeo competitors under 20 years of age; and

WHEREAS, these competitors from across the United States and even Canada will gather in Helena to compete in the national high school rodeo finals to be held at the Lewis and Clark County Fairgrounds, August 15-21, 1977.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

That the Legislature welcomes our high school rodeo guests to Montana and hopes they have a productive and enjoyable stay in our great western state.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature urges all Montanans to show our guests some real western hospitality.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature wishes best of luck to 1977 High School Rodeo Finals Committee and the Helena '77 Rodeo Association in conducting this exciting event.

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Approved by Committee
on Agriculture Livestock
& Irrigation

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