

1-1 By: Murr (Senate Sponsor - Buckingham) H.C.R. No. 23  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 12, 2021;  
 1-3 May 17, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Administration; May 20, 2021, reported favorably by the following  
 1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 20, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-16 WHEREAS, In recent years, the Hill Country community of Llano  
 1-17 has become known throughout Texas as a thriving center for the sport  
 1-18 of barrel racing; and

1-19 WHEREAS, The John L. Kuykendall Event Center and Arena  
 1-20 attracts a multitude of competitors and fans to the city, and the  
 1-21 Llano Chamber of Commerce estimates that the economic impact from  
 1-22 barrel racing exceeds \$1 million annually; and

1-23 WHEREAS, From 2016 to 2020, the number of barrel races held at  
 1-24 the JLK Arena grew by 200 percent, with total annual race days  
 1-25 increasing from 50 to 120; approximately 150 events are slated to  
 1-26 take place in 2021, and the venue is also used for practice sessions  
 1-27 for several days each week; and

1-28 WHEREAS, Renowned as one of the safest barrel racing  
 1-29 facilities in Texas, the JLK Arena has been honored with a Justin  
 1-30 Boots Best Footing Award from the Women's Professional Rodeo  
 1-31 Association in recognition of the exceptional ground conditions at  
 1-32 its races; over the past five years, there have been only two  
 1-33 recorded incidents in which horses slipped and lost their footing  
 1-34 in competition, a remarkable record for a rodeo venue; and

1-35 WHEREAS, Barrel racing is a source of pride and prosperity  
 1-36 for the residents of Llano, and the city's efforts to showcase the  
 1-37 sport are furthering the rich rodeo heritage of the Lone Star State;  
 1-38 now, therefore, be it

1-39 RESOLVED, That the 87th Legislature of the State of Texas  
 1-40 hereby designate Llano as the official Barrel Racing Capital of  
 1-41 Texas; and, be it further

1-42 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section  
 1-43 391.003(e), Government Code, this designation remain in effect  
 1-44 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally  
 1-45 passed by the legislature.

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