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(None),

House Committees

Senate Committees

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 15-1015

101 **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF MAY 1, 2015, AS NATIONAL**
102 **PUREBRED DOG DAY IN COLORADO.**

1 WHEREAS, There is currently no day set aside to celebrate and
2 acknowledge the contributions of the purebred dog, and we wish to
3 designate a day to expressly recognize those contributions; and

4 WHEREAS, Purebred dogs are living legacies of the cultures that
5 created them, and historically these dogs worked alongside their people
6 and provided them companionship; and

7 WHEREAS, Today, the service of these breeds continues as they
8 work alongside humans and provide inestimable companionship while
9 serving as guide dogs, service dogs, conservation dogs, livestock
10 guardians, search and rescue dogs, earth dogs, police dogs, canine

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 soldiers serving by the sides of our military men and women, and
2 ultimately guardians of family, home, and hearth; and

3 WHEREAS, Purebred dogs have been of enormous help to
4 medical science, serving as models for many heritable human diseases,
5 playing a role in humanity's understanding of the human and canine
6 genomes, and benefiting pharmaceutical research and development; and

7 WHEREAS, Purebred dogs are working dogs, serving as
8 avalanche dogs, trackers and trailers, herders, controllers of vermin, water
9 rescuers, carting and sled dogs, retrievers, protectors, hunters, and bird
10 dogs, and always they are the heartbeat of a companion near and dear to
11 humans; and

12 WHEREAS, All dogs should be valued, whatever their ancestry,
13 but the purpose-bred dog and the predictability of its breed should be
14 cherished and preserved; and

15 WHEREAS, Each breed is indelibly etched in the history of the
16 culture that created it just as surely as that culture's music, art, and
17 language; now, therefore,

18 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventieth*
19 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

20 That we, the members of the General Assembly, proudly recognize
21 "National Purebred Dog Day" on May 1, 2015, in celebration of purebred
22 dogs and the many service and companion benefits they provide in
23 Colorado.

24 *Be It Further Resolved*, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
25 to the Honorable Governor John Hickenlooper; Colorado Commissioner
26 of Agriculture Don Brown; the members of Colorado's congressional
27 delegation; Sheila Goffe, Director of Government Relations for the
28 American Kennel Club; and the Colorado Kennel Club, Arapahoe Kennel
29 Club, Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club, Colorado Springs Kennel Club,
30 Grand Valley Kennel Club, Durango Kennel Club, Evergreen Colorado
31 Kennel Club, Flatirons Kennel Club, Greeley Kennel Club, Inc., Metro
32 Mile Hi Kennel Club, Plum Creek Kennel Club of Colorado, Roaring
33 Fork Kennel Club, Southern Colorado Kennel Club, Terry-All Kennel
34 Club, Inc., Pikes Peak Herding Association, Continental Divide Herding
35 Association, Rocky Mountain Earthdog Club, Longs Peak Dog Training

1 Club, Mountain States Dog Training Club, Inc., Peak to Peak Working
2 Dog Association of Colorado, Pikes Peak Obedience Club, Inc., and
3 Sporting Dog Club of Colorado Springs.