SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 05-021

BY SENATOR(S) Hanna, Evans, Fitz-Gerald, Sandoval, Spence, Taylor, Tochtrop, Tupa, Wiens, and Williams;
also REPRESENTATIVE(S) Stengel, Balmer, Benefield, Berens, Borodkin, Boyd, Brophy, Buescher, Butcher, Cadman, Carroll M., Carroll T., Cerbo, Clapp, Cloer, Coleman, Crane, Curry, Decker, Frangas, Gallegos, Garcia, Green, Hall, Harvey, Hefley, Hodge, Hoppe, Jahn, Judd, Kerr, King, Knoedler, Larson, Lindstrom, Liston, Lundberg, Madden, Marshall, Massey, May M., McCluskey, McFadyen, McGihon, McKinley, Merrifield, Paccione, Penry, Plant, Pommer, Ragsdale, Riesberg, Romanoff, Rose, Schultheis, Solano, Soper, Stafford, Sullivan, Todd, Vigil, Weissmann, Welker, White, and Witwer.

CONCERNING CONGRATULATING "CARLEE", WINNER OF THE 2005 WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW AWARD FOR BEST IN SHOW.

WHEREAS, The Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show held in New York City is considered one of the most prestigious dog shows in the world; and

WHEREAS, The Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show hosted its 129th and biggest show ever on February 14 and 15, 2005, with 40 judges and its first-ever sold-out crowd of more than 20,000 spectators; and

WHEREAS, The 2005 Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show included 2,581 competitors, representing 165 different breeds; and

WHEREAS, Only seven of the more than 2,500 dogs were chosen to compete for the final award of "Best in Show"; and

WHEREAS, One of those seven dogs was "Carlee", a five-year-old, female German shorthaired pointer proudly owned by Linda and Richard Stark of Castle Rock, Colorado; and
WHEREAS, "Carlee", officially named "Ch. Kan-Point's VJK Autumn Roses", is a descendant of the 1974 winner of Best in Show at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show and has won many other awards, including winner of the sporting group at the 2005 Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, Best of Breed at the 2004 Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, and best in show titles in eight other dog shows; and

WHEREAS, Prior to 1974, the last time a German shorthaired pointer won Best in Show at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show was in 1907; and

WHEREAS, "Carlee" was trained and handled by Michelle Ostermiller of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, whose previous awards also include handler for last year's Best in Show, "Josh", an impressive Newfoundland; and

WHEREAS, "Carlee" will now return to Colorado to happy retirement with her family, Linda and Richard Stark; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-fifth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:
That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly, wish to congratulate "Carlee", Linda and Richard Stark, and Michelle Ostermiller for their time, energy, and dedication to excellence, which resulted in achieving the 2005 Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show Best in Show award.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent to Linda and Richard Stark and Michelle Ostermiller.

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THE SENATE                        OF REPRESENTATIVES

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