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Thanks to clinician Dennis Reis' efforts and those of California Assemblyman Joe Nation, the second Saturday in December will become the state's official Day of the Horse. Reis, whose School of Universal Horsemanship is based in Penngrove, Calif., began his campaign in January.

"I wanted to increase the awareness of the importance of the horse in our culture," Reis said. "The horse industry contributes over \$112 billion annually to the American economy, and the horse is a common bond among all peoples who led the way in building our country. Our past rides upon the horse's back and is a living link to the heritage and history of our nation."