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Comments for Public Posting: The rodeo industry says that rodeos should stay because of 'culture.' However, cockfighting and bullfighting are deeply entwined cultural activities that society has largely made illegal. Likewise, rodeo needs to go the same and be prohibited. Please ban rodeo in Los Angeles.

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Comments for Public Posting: One of the tools of torment that rodeo uses is called the flank strap. One study states, 'The purpose of the flank rope is to produce an annoyance to the bull.' Is it ethical to be irritating and annoying bulls for the sake of mere entertainment? I don't think so. Accordingly, rodeos need to be banned in Los Angeles!
<https://oaktrust.library.tamu.edu/server/api/core/bitstreams/39432f57-0d7c-44db-96b5-003f56fee54b/content>

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Comments for Public Posting: The phrase "the last refuge of a scoundrel" suggests that something is often used as a last resort, when other arguments or excuses have failed. The idea behind the quote is that some individuals may claim to act in the name of something, but in reality, they are motivated by more selfish or sinister goals, such as power, wealth, or personal gain. That is exactly what the rodeo industry does in the name of race. The rodeo industry pulls the race card because that is the last refuge of a scoundrel. They have no legitimate argument to keep tormenting animals for entertainment and hide behind 'race' and 'culture' to justify their own greed, selfishness, and desire to dominate animals for fun. Please ban rodeo in Los Angeles.

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Comments for Public Posting: The physical injuries in rodeo are concerning, yes, but the main problem with rodeos are the emotional trauma that they put the animals through. For instance, one reputable source states, 'All rodeo events will cause stress, fear and pain as well as injure animals for the sake of sport and entertainment. Subjecting cattle and horses to these experiences is not justified.' Emotional trauma is hard to see but its still there. Accordingly, rodeos should be banned in Los Angeles.
<https://kb.rspca.org.au/knowledge-base/what-are-the-animal-welfare-issues-with-rodeos/>

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Name: Christian Animal Rights Association

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello Los Angeles City Council members, Our ministry intends to speak for the Christians in Los Angeles, which is about 65% of LA residents. One reputable source states, “All rodeo events will cause stress, fear and pain as well as injure animals for the sake of sport and entertainment.” (1) Fittingly, an entire veterinary coalition states, ‘In contrast to this, rodeos normalise cruelty, supported by the legality and promotion of these events.’ (2) From a Christian perspective, the Bible condemns animal cruelty in Proverbs 12:10, stating, “Good people take care of their animals, but wicked people are cruel to theirs.” Furthermore, the Bible condemns hurting animals for entertainment like rodeo. For instance, Genesis 49:6 states, ‘May I never join in their meetings; may I never be a party to their plans. For in their anger they murdered men, and they crippled oxen just for sport.’ Please move forward with the Los Angeles rodeo ban. We believe this would be God-pleasing and satisfy the Christians in Los Angeles, as well as be the best thing to do for the victims. 1. <https://kb.rspca.org.au/knowledge-base/what-are-the-animal-welfare-issues-with-rodeos/> 2. <https://www.sentient.org.au/rodeos>