

Senate Resolution 8

By: Senator Wilkinson of the 50th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Georgia FFA Association; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Georgia FFA Association honorably represented this state at the 87th
3 National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Andy Paul, a member of the Oglethorpe County FFA chapter, was elected to
5 serve as the 2014-2015 National FFA President after an extensive interview process and will
6 represent more than 600,000 FFA members across the nation; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Tanner Jones, Liston Mehserle, Ben Parker, and William Schofill of the Perry
8 FFA chapter were named national winners in the nursery/landscape career development
9 event, with all team members earning gold rankings; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Lori Edwards of the Sonoraville FFA chapter was the high scoring individual
11 in the livestock evaluation career development event, and the Sonoraville team placed 2nd
12 overall; and
- 13 WHEREAS, other top five finishes from Georgia include the Franklin County FFA chapter
14 (2nd in the marketing plan career development event), the Perry FFA chapter (2nd in the
15 floriculture career development event), Kylie Bruce of the Franklin County FFA chapter (3rd
16 in the creed speaking career development event), and the North Oconee FFA chapter (5th in
17 the environmental/natural resources career development event); and
- 18 WHEREAS, Knapp Boddiford of Southeast Bulloch (diversified crop), Christopher Crump
19 of Banks County (landscape management), Sam Herring of Lowndes County (specialty
20 crop), Camille Schroer of Lowndes County (equine science), and Cole Sosebee of White
21 County (wildlife management) were named national FFA proficiency award winners for the
22 success they earned in their Supervised Agricultural Experience programs; and

23 WHEREAS, three Georgia FFA members earned the opportunity to perform their musical
24 talents at the National FFA convention, as Landon Rowe (Irwin County) entertained in the
25 talent program, while Aaron Cronon (Cedar Shoals) and Kayla Robinson (Ola) served in the
26 National FFA Band; and

27 WHEREAS, this year, the Georgia FFA Association was recognized as a membership growth
28 state, marking the 16th consecutive year that Georgia has increased in FFA membership.
29 Georgia was represented at the convention by 25 official voting delegates and more than
30 1,500 local FFA members, advisors, and alumni from across this state.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
32 commend the Georgia FFA Association for its tremendous success at the 87th National FFA
33 Convention.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
35 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the individuals and
36 groups recognized herein.