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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, In conjunction with the annual observance of 2 National FFA Week, members, advisors, and guests of the Texas FFA 3 Association are gathering in Austin on February 19, 2025, to 4 celebrate Texas FFA Day at the State Capitol; and

5 WHEREAS, For nearly a century, the Texas FFA has helped youth develop knowledge and skills in industries related to agriculture, 6 7 food, and natural resources; the FFA program is integral to a three-part educational model that also encompasses classroom 8 9 instruction and work-based learning through supervised agricultural experiences, which may include such activities as 10 starting a business, conducting scientific research, or working in 11 12 production for an established company; and

WHEREAS, This noteworthy organization fosters good citizenship and strong leadership in Texas schools, and over the course of its long history, it has produced many outstanding community, state, and national leaders of industry, education, and government, including many members who have served in this chamber; and

WHEREAS, The largest FFA affiliate in the country, the Texas association has more than 170,000 members and is guided by elected officers who each represent one of the state's 12 FFA areas; every year, the organization awards approximately \$2.4 million in scholarships to deserving members who have demonstrated academic excellence, career readiness, and preparation for effective civic

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1 engagement; and

2 WHEREAS, The Texas FFA Association contributes immeasurably 3 to the success of agricultural, career, and technical education, 4 and in so doing, it has greatly enhanced the prosperity of the Lone 5 Star State; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas 7 Legislature hereby recognize February 19, 2025, as Texas FFA Day at 8 the State Capitol and extend to all those participating sincere 9 best wishes for an informative and enjoyable event; and, be it 10 further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for the Texas FFA Association as an expression of high 13 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.