

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 144

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor the 2014–2015  
Tennessee State Future Farmers of America  
Officers.

WHEREAS, organized in 1928 to promote leadership, personal growth, and career success among high school agriculture students, Future Farmers of America (FFA) continues to play an important role in ensuring the growth and prosperity of agriculture in Tennessee and the nation by expertly molding our future leaders; and

WHEREAS, because of his leadership in promoting scientific farming practices, President George Washington is embraced as the patron saint of FFA, whose important work in this area is symbolized by their Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, there are 610,240 FFA members and 7,665 FFA chapters nationally, with 230 local chapters and more than 13,000 members in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the FFA motto, “Learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live, living to serve,” gives direction and purpose to these agrarian leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, the 87<sup>th</sup> Tennessee State FFA Convention will be held in Gatlinburg, March 29 through April 1, 2015, with the Tennessee State FFA officers for 2014–2015 ably presiding and leading the way; and

WHEREAS, these outstanding State officers are: President, Kevin Robertson of the Wilson Central FFA Chapter; East Tennessee Vice President, Coty Vannoy of the Chuckey-Doak FFA Chapter; Middle Tennessee Vice President, Susan Cowley of the Lincoln County FFA Chapter; West Tennessee Vice President, Elena Smith of the Munford FFA Chapter; Secretary, Nick Baker of the Baxter FFA Chapter; Treasurer, Amy Morgan of the Cookeville

FFA Chapter; Reporter, Victoria Utsman of the Daniel Boone FFA Chapter; and Sentinel, Shelby Day of the Oakland FFA Chapter; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we pause in our deliberations to commend these outstanding young people for their respective efforts in assuring the future progress and prosperity of agriculture in our nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the State officers of the Tennessee Future Farmers of America for their service and dedication to their organization and to the future well-being of agriculture in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.