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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to congratulate Thaddeus Bergschneider on being named president of the National FFA Organization at the 97th National FFA Convention & Expo, which was held in Indianapolis, Indiana from October 23 to October 26, 2024; and

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WHEREAS, The National FFA Organization, an intracurricular student organization formerly known as the Future Farmers of America (FFA), consists of more than one million student members from more than 9,000 local chapters located across all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands; and

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WHEREAS, Thaddeus Bergschneider, a former member of the Franklin FFA Chapter and 2023-24 president of the Illinois FFA, was raised on the fifth-generation JP Bergschneider Farms, where his family grows corn and soybeans and raises cattle and turkeys in Morgan County; and

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WHEREAS, Thaddeus Bergschneider was selected as the 2024-25 president of the National FFA Organization from among 37 candidates who all participated in an extensive interview process with the National FFA Officer Nominating Committee; and

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1 WHEREAS, Thaddeus Bergschneider's selection as president
2 of the National FFA Organization makes him the first Illinois
3 student chosen to lead the organization in three decades; and

4 WHEREAS, As president, Thaddeus Bergschneider will
5 represent and lead FFA members across the country while
6 working alongside five other members of the 2024-25 National
7 FFA Officer Team to drive the organization's mission of
8 developing future leaders through agricultural education; and

9 WHEREAS, Thaddeus Bergschneider is currently a freshman at
10 the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, where he is
11 pursuing a degree in agricultural and consumer economics in
12 the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental
13 Sciences (ACES); therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
15 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate
16 Thaddeus Bergschneider on being named president of the
17 National FFA Organization at the 97th National FFA Convention
18 & Expo, and we wish him continued success in his endeavors; and
19 be it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to Thaddeus Bergschneider as an expression of our
22 esteem and respect.