

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Jake Ledoux upon the occasion of his election as Vice President of the New York FFA

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those young people who, by achieving outstanding success in their competitive endeavors have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Jake Ledoux upon the occasion of his election as Vice President of the New York FFA; and

WHEREAS, The FFA, a national youth organization, once known as the Future Farmers of America, offers leadership and career development opportunities for students interested in any agriculturally related career; and

WHEREAS, One in five American careers is founded in agriculture and students studying agricultural education in New York high schools are preparing for careers that are essential (food safety), current ("Green" technology and renewable fuels) and lucrative (veterinary science); and

WHEREAS, On May 3, 2013, Jake Ledoux, a junior at Beaver River Central School in Beaver Falls, New York, was elected Vice President of the New York FFA; and

WHEREAS, As the elected Vice President of New York FFA, Jake Ledoux will have the chance to promote these opportunities throughout the state to students, school administrators, businesses and legislators; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as Vice President of New York FFA, Jake Ledoux will receive over 250 hours of training and spend more than a month on the road over his summer vacation; he will also have the opportunity to help foster personal and career success for nearly 4000 FFA members state wide, and will be visiting local schools, facilitating workshops, and giving speeches to groups interested in agriculture and education; and

WHEREAS, Jake Ledoux resides with his parents and sister on a diversified livestock farm, the Adirondack Beef Company, in Croghan, New York; at the Company, he combines real world experience with technical expertise in raising beef cattle, pork, sheep and poultry; and

WHEREAS, During his New York FFA career, Jake Ledoux has served as Sentinel and Junior Advisor; he is currently President of the Beaver River FFA Chapter; these positions have helped him grow in his leadership and public speaking talents; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his FFA career, Jake Ledoux has done CDE's in public speaking and job interview which have enhanced his personal development; his entire FFA career has made him grow and develop his inner potential to its fullest extent by making him stretch his goals and grow as a person; and

WHEREAS, New York FFA has been the catalyst in the personal growth and development of Jake Ledoux as a leader and as an effective public speaker; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to celebrate the individual accomplishments of remarkable young people in this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize and applaud Jake Ledoux for his noteworthy endeavors and achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Jake Ledoux upon the occasion of his election as Vice President of the New York FFA; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jake Ledoux.

