

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-4680, by Representatives Wilcox, Barkis, Boehnke, Caldier, Chambers, Chandler, Corry, DeBolt, Dent, Dufault, Dye, Eslick, Gildon, Goehner, Graham, Griffey, Harris, Hoff, Irwin, Jenkin, Klippert, Kraft, Kretz, MacEwen, Maycumber, McCaslin, Mosbrucker, Orcutt, Rude, Schmick, Smith, Steele, Stokesbary, Sutherland, Van Werven, Vick, Volz, Walsh, Ybarra, and Young

1       WHEREAS, The Washington Future Farmers of America (FFA) has  
2 approximately twelve thousand student members represented by all nine  
3 FFA districts around the entire state; and

4       WHEREAS, Washington FFA members contribute 4.4 billion dollars  
5 nationally generated through their Supervised Agricultural Experience  
6 programs, which promote hands-on learning as an extension of the  
7 classroom; and

8       WHEREAS, Washington agriculture contributes 10.6 billion dollars  
9 in revenue a year from thirty-nine thousand five hundred farms and  
10 ranches, according to the Washington Farm Bureau, and is twelve  
11 percent of Washington's total economy; and

12       WHEREAS, The Washington FFA allows students to develop personally  
13 and professionally through a variety of opportunities that appeal to  
14 all different learning types, utilizing a three-circle model  
15 encompassing classroom instruction, Supervised Agricultural  
16 Experiences, and FFA; and

17       WHEREAS, Each FFA chapter plans events throughout the year, which  
18 will better their members and the community around them through a  
19 program of activities, which is submitted to the Washington FFA  
20 Association at the beginning of each school year; and

21       WHEREAS, The Washington FFA hosts "Emerge," which is an in-state  
22 leadership conference reaching approximately two hundred eighty  
23 members statewide; and

