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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Nevin Erbsen on being
4 awarded the 2025 American STAR in Agricultural Placement by
5 the National Future Farmers of America (FFA) at the 98th
6 National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana; and

7 WHEREAS, The American STAR Awards represent the best among
8 thousands of American FFA Degree recipients, recognizing FFA
9 members who have developed outstanding agricultural skills and
10 competencies by completing a Supervised Agricultural
11 Experience (SAE) program; and

12 WHEREAS, The American STAR in Agricultural Placement is
13 awarded to the FFA member with the top agricultural placement
14 SAE in the nation, an individual who demonstrates outstanding
15 achievement, active FFA participation, and an exemplary
16 scholastic record; and

17 WHEREAS, Nevin Erbsen, a member of the Eastland FFA in
18 Lanark, is currently a junior at Iowa State University in
19 Ames, Iowa, where he majors in agriculture systems technology
20 with a minor in agronomy; and

21 WHEREAS, Nevin Erbsen's SAE includes working for four

1 agricultural businesses throughout his educational journey;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Nevin Erbsen works on his family's 100-cow dairy,
4 where he milks cows, cares for heifers and IVF-born calves,
5 and prepares show cattle for competition; he also works at
6 Gunderson Dairy Farms, a 500-cow operation, where he does
7 equipment maintenance, KPI monitoring for robotic milking, and
8 ration adjustments to improve herd performance; and

9 WHEREAS, While attending Iowa State University, Nevin
10 Erbsen works at Chad West of West Acres, operating tillage
11 equipment, helping with the harvest, and performing machinery
12 maintenance; he is additionally employed by Kimberley Ag Sales
13 and Service, working with equipment from multiple major
14 brands; and

15 WHEREAS, Over time, Nevin Erbsen's roles have grown to
16 include management responsibilities, problem-solving, and
17 decision-making across all parts of these businesses while
18 simultaneously compiling experience to help curate a future
19 where he can lead agriculture into the coming years with
20 automation; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
22 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

1 we congratulate Nevin Erbsen on being awarded the 2025
2 American STAR in Agricultural Placement by the National Future
3 Farmers of America (FFA), and we wish him continued success in
4 his endeavors; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to Nevin Erbsen as a symbol of our esteem and
7 respect.