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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 166

Offered January 16, 2014

*Commending the Signal Knob Middle School Future Farmers of America Chapter.*

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WHEREAS, the Signal Knob Middle School Future Farmers of America Chapter, located in Strasburg, is commended for its selection as the top Middle School FFA Chapter in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the FFA (Future Farmers of America) organization has more than 579,000 members nationwide, including Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands, in over 7,000 middle and high school chapters and works to make a positive difference in the lives of students through agricultural education; and

WHEREAS, the Signal Knob Middle School FFA Chapter underwent a rigorous review process for its selection that included an application detailing chapter activities in the areas of student development, chapter development, and community development and a presentation by two students before a panel of judges; and

WHEREAS, the Signal Knob Middle School FFA Chapter was selected as one of the top 18 chapters in the state; earned Northern Area Student, Chapter, and Community Development Awards and state Chapter and Community Development Star Awards; and was named the top middle school chapter in the Commonwealth, the top overall chapter in the Commonwealth out of all middle and high school chapters, and one of the top five middle school chapters in the nation before its selection as the top middle school chapter in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Signal Knob Middle School FFA Chapter members take part in a wide array of activities that provide meaningful service to others, help protect the environment, and cultivate important life skills; and

WHEREAS, Signal Knob Middle School FFA Chapter members traveled to the National Future Farmers of America Convention & Expo in Louisville, Kentucky, to accept the award before an audience that numbered in the tens of thousands; and

WHEREAS, the Signal Knob Middle School FFA Chapter has brought great honor and recognition to the Commonwealth and its selection as the top Middle School FFA Chapter in the nation is a reflection of its members' dedication and hard work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Signal Knob Middle School Future Farmers of America Chapter on its selection as the top Middle School FFA Chapter in the nation; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jaclyn Roller, advisor of the Signal Knob Middle School Future Farmers of America Chapter, as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and admiration for the chapter's outstanding accomplishment.

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