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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 730**

Offered February 7, 1997

Proclaiming Wednesday, February 19, 1997, as Virginia FFA Day.

Patrons—Orrock, Armstrong, Baker, Barlow, Crouch, Davies, Dickinson, Guest, Hamilton, Hargrove, Ingram, Johnson, Katzen, Kilgore, Landes, May, McClure, Nelms, Sherwood and Watkins; Senators: Hanger, Hawkins, Houck, Miller, K.G. and Waddell

#### Consent to introduce

### Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, the Future Farmers of America (FFA) has prepared generations of young Americans not only for careers in agriculture but also for prominent roles in the civic life of communities across this nation; and

WHEREAS, the week of February 15-22, 1997, is to be observed as National FFA Week in honor of these contributions; and

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's observance, "FFA — Leaders with a Vision," is highly appropriate in view of the many past and current American leaders who were former FFA members; and

WHEREAS, it is especially fitting that Virginia, firmly rooted in the Jeffersonian faith that agrarian ideals are the foundation of a democratic society, should acknowledge and celebrate the importance of an organization that so clearly reflects and preserves those ideals; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That Wednesday, February 19, 1997, be proclaimed Virginia FFA Day to recognize FFA chapters throughout Virginia for their contributions to the economic health and civic vitality of the Commonwealth.