

House Resolution 896

By: Representatives Purcell of the 147th, Murphy of the 18th, Walker of the 141st, Hudson of the 156th and Bell of the 25th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 100th Anniversary of 4-H; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the youth and volunteers involved in a community are a great resource for
3 leadership development, community development, and citizenship; and

4 WHEREAS, 4-H, which began in the early years of the last century, is now one of the largest
5 youth organizations in the world, with programs in 3,067 counties, 50 states, and the
6 territories of the United States of America, and there are 4-H or similar extension-led youth
7 programs in 22 nations; and

8 WHEREAS, more than 6.8 million youth touch and enhance the lives of others throughout
9 the year by doing good, by giving where there is a need, by rebuilding what had been torn
10 down, by teaching where there was a desire to learn, and by inspiring those who had lost
11 hope; and

12 WHEREAS, 4-H is one of the nation's most diverse organizations and includes people from
13 all economic, racial, social, political, and geographic categories; and

14 WHEREAS, 4-H in Georgia began in Newton County as a corn club and was led by school
15 superintendent G. C. Adams; and

16 WHEREAS, Georgia 4-H now claims 168,161 youth members and 7,000 adult volunteers,
17 a membership that is almost equally divided between urban, suburban, and rural areas of the
18 state, and a 38.8 percent minority youth membership; and

19 WHEREAS, 4-H, as part of the University of Georgia College of Agricultural and
20 Environmental Sciences and the Cooperative Extension Service under the leadership of State
21 4-H Youth Leader Dr. Roger C. (Bo) Ryles and Dean Gale Buchanan, is a program where
22 youth learn together in all kinds of projects, events, and activities; and

1 WHEREAS, 4-H has been helping youth and adults learn, grow, and work together for a
2 period of 100 years.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
4 the members of this body recognize the members, staff, and volunteer leaders of Georgia 4-H
5 as they continue the 100 year old tradition of youth development and education through 4-H.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
7 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Roger C. (Bo) Ryles.