

## Senate Resolution 49EX2

By: Senators Ragan of the 11th, Streat of the 19th, Cheeks of the 23rd, Thomas of the 54th, Stephens of the 51st and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Inviting the Future Farmers of America to hold the 2006-2010 National FFA Conventions  
2 in Atlanta; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Future Farmers of America was organized nationally in 1928 and is  
4 dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of young people by developing their  
5 potential through agricultural education; and

6 WHEREAS, the National FFA Convention is a premier educational experience offering  
7 leadership, personal growth, and career exploration opportunities to FFA members and  
8 serves as a recognition and reward for the accomplishments of FFA members during the  
9 preceding year; and

10 WHEREAS, because of the powerful focus placed on the future of agriculture, the  
11 convention also serves as a meeting ground for 45,000 to 50,000 participants, including  
12 agribusiness and corporate leaders from throughout the nation; and

13 WHEREAS, agriculture is of vital importance to the State of Georgia and is the mainstay of  
14 Georgia's economy; and

15 WHEREAS, as home of the HOPE Scholarship and the College of Agriculture and  
16 Environmental Sciences of the University of Georgia, the State of Georgia is committed to  
17 agricultural education and opportunities for young people; and

18 WHEREAS, with the Georgia World Congress Center, Centennial Olympic Park, Hartsfield  
19 International Airport, MARTA, the Georgia Dome, Turner Field, Phillips Arena, the Martin  
20 Luther King, Jr., National Historic Site, Zoo Atlanta and its Giant Panda Exhibit,  
21 Underground Atlanta, the World of Coca Cola, and our outstanding supply of convention  
22 hotels and facilities, Atlanta and the State of Georgia offer a unique opportunity for those  
23 attending the National FFA Convention; and

1 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia welcomes the opportunity to host the Future Farmers of  
2 America and the National FFA Convention.

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
4 urge the Future Farmers of America to hold the 2006-2010 National FFA Conventions in  
5 Atlanta.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
7 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Future Farmers of America.