

## Senate Resolution 38

By: Senators Walker III of the 20th, Ginn of the 47th, Cowser of the 46th, Echols of the 49th, Watson of the 11th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the University of Georgia 4-H Program, Kingston Ryals, Melanie Biersmith,  
2 and the 2024-2025 4-H Leadership Teams and recognizing February 25, 2025, as 4-H Day  
3 at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, 4-H members consistently demonstrate the ability and leadership necessary to  
5 be champions and serve as outstanding representatives and officers of the young people of  
6 Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, Kingston Ryals of Toombs County serves with distinction and dedication as  
8 State 4-H President; and

9 WHEREAS, Melanie Biersmith of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension has  
10 worked diligently as State 4-H Leader/Director of 4-H; and

11 WHEREAS, the leadership, dedication, and hard work of Robert Thomas of Putnam County,  
12 Ceci Ward of Catoosa County, Chloe Bray of Johnson County, and Max Nelson of Tift  
13 County as District Presidents have been acknowledged by the 4-H membership in their  
14 election of each of these young people to serve as president for 2024-2025; and

15 WHEREAS, the excellent record of accomplishments in citizenship and leadership of Tiffani  
16 McClain of Jasper County, Tyson Mathis of Oconee County, Shubham Badve of Cobb  
17 County, Kingston Ryals of Toombs County, Thomas Holt of Ben Hill County, and Colin  
18 Williamson of Tift County for their selection as delegates for the 2024 National 4-H  
19 Conference; and

20 WHEREAS, Lauren Coley of Bleckley County and Sophia Scott of Pickens County were  
21 named 2024 Leadership in Action winners; and

22 WHEREAS, Leila Rimes of Tift County, Amiyah Elam of Ware County, Haya Fatmi of  
23 Cobb County, Brittney Bryant of Toombs County, Tiffani McClain of Jasper County, and  
24 Carolyn Thomas of Putnam County were named state winners in the 2024 Deans Awards  
25 competition; and

26 WHEREAS, Patrick Willis of Berrien County was named the 2024 William H. Booth Award  
27 Honoree; and

28 WHEREAS, Laura Mirarchi of Troup County received the 2024 Ryles Rising Star Award;  
29 and

30 WHEREAS, Kristen Quinton of Bibb County was named the 2024 Volunteer of the Year;  
31 and

32 WHEREAS, CJ Lee of Glynn County received the 2024 Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer  
33 Award.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
35 commend the University of Georgia 4-H Program; Mr. Kingston Ryals, State 4-H President;

36 Ms. Melanie Biersmith, State 4-H Leader and Director of 4-H; and the 2024-2025 4-H  
37 District Presidents, 2024 National 4-H Conference delegates, 2024 Leadership in Action  
38 winners, 2024 Deans Awards winners, 2024 William H. Booth Award honoree, 2024 Ryles  
39 Rising Star Award recipient, 2024 Volunteer of the Year, and 2024 Outstanding Lifetime  
40 Volunteer Award recipient for their numerous accomplishments as well as recognize  
41 February 25, 2025, as 4-H Day at the state capitol.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
43 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the  
44 press.