

SENATE RESOLUTION  
8685

By Senator Pearson

WHEREAS, The National FFA Organization is a national youth organization of 557,318 student members as part of 7,498 local FFA chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands; and

WHEREAS, The National FFA Nursery Landscape Career Development Event (CDE) is a competitive event where FFA members test their knowledge and skills in nursery practices and landscaping; and

WHEREAS, Participants must complete a general knowledge exam testing horticultural principles including plant anatomy, production, marketing, turf, landscaping design, and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, Each participant must complete practicums involving landscape estimating, plant propagation or potting, identification of plants, disorders, and equipment; and

WHEREAS, Each team competed on local and state levels to earn the privilege of representing their state at the National FFA Convention and Expo; and

WHEREAS, Sedro-Woolley High School students traveled to Louisville, Kentucky to compete and represent the State of Washington at the national convention; and

WHEREAS, The student nursery/landscaping team from Sedro-Woolley High School represented the State of Washington, placed 4th in the nation, and earned a gold plaque in floral design against schools twice Sedro-Woolley's size; and

WHEREAS, The students from Sedro-Woolley defeated top national teams from Ohio, Missouri, Arkansas, Oregon, Minnesota, and Florida; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Ramsey, the fearless leader of Sedro-Woolley's national champions, works to develop and cultivate the future of the top horticultural leaders of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize Karlie Lodjic, Alec Solemslie, Nicole Snyder, Rachel Marsh, Ryan Solemslie, Kristin Ramsey, Cory Peterson, Raynee Hayes, Troy Peterson, and Kayla Overby for their successes at nationals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate celebrate in congratulating the students, Mr. Ramsey, and all of Sedro-Woolley in a truly remarkable victory.

I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate,  
do hereby certify that this is a true and  
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8685,  
adopted by the Senate  
February 20, 2014

HUNTER G. GOODMAN  
Secretary of the Senate