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8 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

9 TO COMMEND TROY BUCK ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE
10 ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL HALL OF FAME.
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12 **Subtitle**

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15 FAME.
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18 WHEREAS, Troy Buck, a native of Alpine, Arkansas, earned a bachelor's
19 degree and a master's degree in agriculture at the University of Arkansas;
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22 WHEREAS, Troy Buck taught for twenty-one (21) years at Hope, Arkansas,
23 where he built the Hope Future Farmers of America chapter into the largest in
24 the state; and
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26 WHEREAS, Troy Buck then moved to Amity, Arkansas, where he started the
27 state's first and only custom meat processing laboratory for high school
28 students; and
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30 WHEREAS, in 1992 the Amity Future Farmers of America chapter won the
31 National Building Our American Communities award for restoring the old school
32 building at Alpine and turning it into the Alpine Community Center; and
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34 WHEREAS, the consolidation of the Amity and Glenwood school districts
35 created the Centerpoint School District, which now has the largest Future
36 Farmers of America chapter in the state and which also operates a new one



1 million five hundred thousand dollar (\$1,500,000) custom meat processing
2 laboratory; and
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4 WHEREAS, in 2000, the Centerpoint Future Farmers of America chapter was
5 recognized as the National Outstanding Vocational Agriculture Program in
6 America; and
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8 WHEREAS, Troy Buck served several years as President of the Arkansas
9 Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association and currently serves as its
10 legislative liaison; he is on the state board of the Arkansas Farm Bureau;
11 and is a director for Region 5 of the Farm Credit Services of Western
12 Arkansas, in which position he recently received the national Phelps-Martin
13 Award for outstanding service to agriculture and rural communities; and
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15 WHEREAS, in 2004, Troy Buck received the Dr. Dan Pilkington Award for
16 Outstanding Service to Public Education, the highest honor granted by the
17 Arkansas School Boards Association; and
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19 WHEREAS, Troy Buck is a three-time recipient of the Agriculture Teacher
20 of the Year award; and
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22 WHEREAS, Troy Buck currently farms four hundred (400) acres, runs about
23 one hundred (100) head of beef cattle, operates two (2) breeder hen houses,
24 and produces Bermuda hay; and
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26 WHEREAS, Troy Buck is an active volunteer in his community serving as a
27 certified first responder; helping establish a rural fire department and
28 community water system; helping establish and build an ambulance service
29 facility; and feeding and visiting the elderly in their homes, the hospital,
30 and nursing homes; and
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32 WHEREAS, Troy Buck has spent forty-six (46) years in vocational
33 agriculture, leading two (2) of the state's largest Future Farmers of America
34 chapters and affecting the lives of countless students along the way,
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36 NOW THEREFORE,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
2 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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4 THAT the Senate of the Eighty-Sixth General Assembly of the State of
5 Arkansas commends Troy Buck on his induction into the Arkansas Agricultural
6 Hall of Fame.

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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Troy
9 Buck by the Secretary of the Senate.