



Student Senate

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## **STUDENT SENATE BILL 2025-1144**

**TITLE: Resolution Recognizing the UF Livestock Judging Camp and Affirming Support for Student Recruitment Initiatives**

**AUTHOR(S): Senator Zachary Wolsonovich, Senator Marissa Veeravagu, Senator Julia Pascoe**

**SPONSOR(S): Senator Mark Goodwin, Deputy Majority Party Leader Marco Salvador**

**WHEREAS**, the University of Florida Student Government supports programs, initiatives, and events that showcase the academic excellence, leadership opportunities, and unique experiences offered at the University of Florida, helping to attract prospective students and strengthen the university community; and,

**WHEREAS**, as a Florida land-grant institution, the University of Florida has a distinct mission to serve the state through education, research, and extension, fostering connections with communities across Florida and beyond [1]; and,

**WHEREAS**, the University of Florida's College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (CALS) and its Department of Animal Sciences host the annual Livestock Judging Camp, providing high school students with hands-on experiences in livestock evaluation, critical thinking, and leadership [2]; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Livestock Judging Camp not only fosters valuable skills in participants but also serves as a vital recruitment tool for the University of Florida, highlighting the excellence of CALS programs and showcasing the university's commitment to agricultural education [3]; and,

**WHEREAS**, the participants and winners of the Livestock Judging Camp exemplify the spirit of learning, competition, and excellence that define the Gator Nation [4]; and,

**WHEREAS**, promoting the accomplishments of these students and the success of the camp enhances the University of Florida's visibility and reputation, encouraging future students to consider UF for their academic and professional pursuits [5]; then,

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate commends the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences and the Department of Animal Sciences for their continued dedication to student development through the Livestock Judging Camp.

**THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate congratulates the participants and winners of the Livestock Judging Camp for their hard work, excellence, and representation of the future of agricultural leadership.

**THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate affirms its commitment to recognizing and supporting programs that promote academic excellence, student engagement, and the recruitment of future Gators.

**THEREFORE, LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED** that the University of Florida Student Senate encourages the continued promotion of the Livestock Judging Camp and its participants, to further elevate the University's visibility and reputation across the state and nation.

*Proviso: A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Dr. John Arthington, Professor and Chair of the UF Department of Animal Sciences; Chris Vivian, Associate Vice President of Communications, UF/IFAS; Matti Moyer, Communications & Engagement Manager, UF Department of Animal Sciences; and Jarred Shellhouse, Strategic Communications Manager, UF/IFAS College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.*

[1] <https://ifas.ufl.edu/about-us/>

[2] <https://animal.ifas.ufl.edu/extension/youth/livestock-judging-camp/>

[3] <https://cals.ufl.edu/about/>

[4] <https://leadershipandservice.ufl.edu/about/values/>

[5] <https://admissions.ufl.edu/about/>

  
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