Senate Resolution No. 2545

BY: Senator BONACIC

CONGRATULATING the student members of the Tri-Valley Central FFA upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the American Degree from the National FFA

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the student members of the Tri-Valley Central FFA upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the American Degree from the National FFA; this auspicious occasion was celebrated at the 89th National FFA Convention and Expo held on Saturday, October 26, 2016, in Louisville, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, The 2016 American Degree recipients from the Tri-Valley Central FFA include: Nathanial Bender, Lawrence Bracken, Bridget Kackos, Grace Kelly, Dorothy Monforte, Taylor Quick, Emily Rogerson, Ryan Sanok, and Robert Totten; and

WHEREAS, The agricultural industry is part of the foundation upon which our distinct American heritage is built; and WHEREAS, The National FFA is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education to students in grades seven to twelve; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1951, by educator Robert Strangeway, the Tri-Valley Central FFA is one of the most esteemed chapters of the FFA in the State of New York and has annually garnered its share of honors; and

WHEREAS, The student members of the Tri-Valley Central FFA program have gained knowledge in a large variety of skills including floral design, environmental science, agribusiness and marketing and domestic animal science; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, these young men and women now stand honorably, with just pride in their accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by their teachers, advisors and parents; and

WHEREAS, These exceptional young adults are a credit to their families, their schools, their community, their State and their Nation, and no doubt their future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations, in recognition of the significance of this meritorious achievement, to

congratulate the members of the Tri-Valley Central FFA upon the occasion of being designated as recipients of the American Degree from the National FFA; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tri-Valley Central FFA and the aforementioned student members.