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Dear

Arkansas FFA Delegation,

I hope this letter finds you in great spirits, energized, and excited about the 98th Arkansas FFA State Convention. As we gather together, I want to take a moment to reflect on the values that have not only shaped me but also defined FFA members as a whole—values that continue to guide us today and will propel us into the future.

When I walked into my first ag class in the eighth grade, I had no idea what I had gotten myself into. I was familiar with FFA but could not have imagined how much it would shape my life. At that time, I had no clue about the opportunities, friendships, and growth ahead. It is funny how life surprises us—how taking one elective agri class could lead me down a path that would shape my future in ways I never anticipated.

Even with a seven-month pregnant ag teacher, I began to learn about the National FFA Organization—what it was and what it stood for. I quickly realized this was something I wanted to be a part of. My grandfather, a third-generation farmer, received the State Farmer Degree in the 1940s, and I knew I wanted to follow in his footsteps. I asked Ms. Tippitt to order my very own blue corduroy jacket.

I memorized the FFA Creed in class, never imagining I would recite it at the state contest a year later. I discovered a love for public speaking, which led me to the Conduct of Chapter Meetings team, then Parliamentary Procedure, and eventually to compete twice in the State Prepared Public Speaking Contest. I have participated in agronomy, wildlife, and floriculture CDEs, but forestry will always hold a special place in my heart.

I was honored to serve on the 2024 Nominating Committee and represent Arkansas at the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute this past October.

Since eighth grade, some of my best memories have been made with my FFA family. Whether we were traveling for a contest or sitting in the classroom, I was bound to be laughing. However, my favorite FFA memories are at Camp Couchdale, surrounded by countless members and strawberry cake, as we grew as the future leaders of this world. I saw myself and those around me grow every ALC, CPC, and Impact. I will forever cherish those memories.

We are the ones who will cultivate the future of agriculture, leadership, and our community. Our passions drive us to work hard, innovate, and support one another in ways that will shape a better tomorrow. I am excited to announce my candidacy for the 2025-2026 Arkansas FFA State Officer Team. It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve and give back to this incredible organization that has shaped my life. I am eager to work with all of you to continue growing, leading, and building a stronger future for Arkansas FFA.

Sincerely,

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