

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-029

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, COMMENDING GARRETT BENNETT FOR HIS
ACHIEVEMENTS RELATED TO NASSAU COUNTY 4-H.**

WHEREAS, Nassau County resident, Garrett Bennett, has a metabolic condition that requires him to maintain a gluten free diet; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett used to drink a special formula, however when his insurance company threatened to no longer supply this to him, he searched for alternative solutions to receive the nutrition he needs; and

WHEREAS, raw, organic goat milk is produced naturally free of gluten; therefore, Garrett Bennett became interested in raising goats to have an unlimited supply of goat milk; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett joined the Nassau County 4-H program in 2020 to increase interaction with his peers and to learn more about raising goats; and

WHEREAS, in early 2021, Garrett Bennett was gifted his first goat, Ariat, from the Nassau County Farm Bureau; he worked hard to obtain the necessary points, earning him a spot to participate in the Northeast Florida Fair; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett is a dedicated and passionate 4-H member who is continually seeking different avenues to learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett established a business model, and in January 2021, he opened, Half-Pint Dairies, a local dairy farm where he produces quality goat milk for the benefit of himself and for others; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett has expanded his farm animal inventory to include ducks as they produce eggs that are naturally free of gluten, as well as geese to protect his flock; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett offers free consultations to individuals who are interested in raising their own goats and provides advice on how to increase milk production, ways to maintain a gluten free herd, and choosing the appropriate breed for reproduction; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett qualified to participate in the State Fair in Tallahassee this past February, where he showed his goat, Ariat, and his beloved Chinese Goose, Steve; and

WHEREAS, Garrett Bennett has found his passion in the production of naturally-sourced, gluten-free goat milk as a health benefit to not only himself, but also our community; he serves as an profound inspiration, demonstrating that everyone has the ability to do wonderful things.

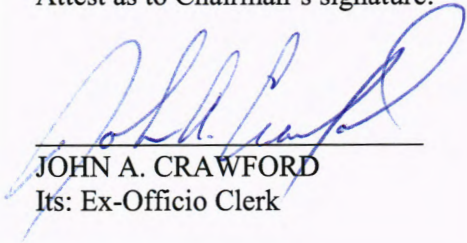
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 11th day of April, 2022, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that the Board publicly commends Garrett Bennett for his achievements related to the Nassau County 4-H Program and his efforts to create a more sustainable culture within our community.

DULY ADOPTED THIS 11th day of April, 2022.

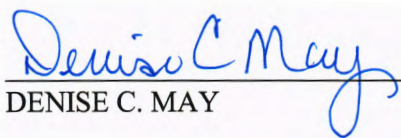
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NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA


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