



Oregon FFA,

Moving between states, up and down the Columbia River Gorge and everywhere in between, I learned a lot about travelling. Like the more you have, the more you have to carry; to only keep what you need, and don't be afraid to let go of things. I am grateful for opportunities given from all the places I have gone, people I've met taking part in new experiences and being able to learn from the community that surrounded me at any given time. The only issue was, I never knew where to call home. But then, I settled in Sherman County.

With a population under 1,800 people, I learned the true meaning of the importance of community, reliability and what it means to be 'home'. This summer, one of the largest wildfires in Oregon took place in our town, called the Substation fire. Farmers urgently brought their disks to create fire lines, putting their lives on the line for their crop and neighbors. Volunteer firefighters helped in any way they could and the high school opened their doors for housing helpers from outside of town. Sherman County's strength shined through in such a hard time, the same strength I've seen in the FFA organization.

FFA embodies an organization that creates a home for so many students. No matter where you are, FFA can show members that home isn't the residence you occupy but it's the characteristics that you embody. Being able to make friends, be apart of a strong community and have members that are so willing to work hard and share their stories is something to be admired. This organization creates an environment for each member to be themselves and show their skills that are so unique. I learned through FFA I had found my true home and even though I cannot put an address on it, I love to call it mine.

As a 2019-2020 State Officer candidate, I know that each member can find a home in the FFA organization just like I have. Knowing that home is not where you stand but what you stand for, I hope to share the importance of this with so many more members. I am thrilled to share with all, my candidacy for the 2019-2020 Oregon FFA State Officer Team at the 91st annual State Convention.

Respectfully,

Savannah Moe

Sherman County FFA President

Central Oregon FFA District Secretary



*“Surround yourself  
with people with similar  
goals and ambitions”  
-Nate Cronauer*