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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 30

BY SENATOR THOMPSON

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Designates May 9, 2019, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and commends the state officers of the Louisiana FFA Association.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To designate May 9, 2019, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to commend the
3	state officers of the Louisiana FFA Association.
4	WHEREAS, in 1917, Congress passed the Smith-Hughes National Vocational
5	Education Act to appropriate federal dollars to states for the purpose of funding teachers,
6	supervisors, and directors of agricultural subjects as well as trade, home economics, and
7	industrial subjects in high schools across the United States and has funded programs created
8	pursuant to the Act since; and
9	WHEREAS, in the early 1920s, student interest generated by the addition of these
10	classes prompted the first state organization of future farmers, and in 1928, thirty-three
11	students from eighteen different states convened to form Future Farmers of America (FFA),
12	known today as the National FFA Organization; and
13	WHEREAS, the goal of FFA, as conceptualized in their mission statement, is to
14	make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier
15	leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education; and
16	WHEREAS, the FFA motto, "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live,
17	Living to Serve", gives members words to live by as they experience the opportunities of the
18	organization; and

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WHEREAS, the national FFA organization consists of more than six 1 2 hundred-seventy thousand members in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands; and 3 4 WHEREAS, the Louisiana membership of the FFA organization continues to be strongly represented by agricultural students in approximately one hundred and ninety-nine 5 6 chapters in fifty-one parishes throughout the state with nearly eleven thousand members; and 7 WHEREAS, the members of the Louisiana Senate recognize the importance of 8 agriculture to the economy of this state, as well as the importance of the education and 9 training students receive through agricultural education programs that develop competent 10 and assertive agricultural leadership. 11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate May 9, 2019, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol. 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana also 13 14 recognizes and commends the 2018-2019 state FFA officers as follows: Brooklyn Hampton, 15 president; Katie Mestayer, secretary; Kerington Bass, vice president; Sara Toal, 16 vice president; William Gaspard, vice president; Lane Degenhardt, vice president; Madison Sittig, treasurer; Taylor Perrodin, reporter; Zachary Mayfield, sentinel; and Makayla 17 18 Caswell, parliamentarian.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Isabel Oakley, State President of the Louisiana FFA Association.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

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