

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 61

BY SENATOR CATHEY

A RESOLUTION

To designate May 9, 2024, as 4-H Day at the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana and to commend the state 4-H officers.

WHEREAS, 4-H is the largest youth development organization, empowering nearly six million young people throughout the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, through America's land-grant universities, 4-H reaches every corner of the United States, from urban neighborhoods to suburban schoolyards to rural farming communities; and

WHEREAS, 4-H represents head, heart, hands, and health as core values of all members, ages eight to eighteen, and works to develop each through engaging programs; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana main office of 4-H is the premier youth development program of the Louisiana State University AgCenter Cooperative Extension System, and includes clubs, camps, and after-school programs that help members become responsible citizens leading healthy and productive lives; and

WHEREAS, with a network of nearly six million that includes more than five hundred thousand volunteers, more than three thousand professionals, and more than twenty-five million alumni, 4-H helps to shape our country's youth in ways that no other youth organization does; it empowers all members to reach their full potential, working and learning in partnership with caring adults, and growing together as catalysts for positive change; and

WHEREAS, 4-H'ers engage in hands-on learning activities in the areas of science, citizenship, and healthy living; and

WHEREAS, 4-H boys and girls are four times more likely to contribute to their communities, including economic achievement and civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, the 4-H program is enhanced by leading corporations, foundations, and organizations whose support allows the development of cutting edge models for young people to learn real-world skills that better prepare them for the challenges of today and tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana also recognizes and commends the 2023-2024 state 4-H officers as follows: Zachary Cryer, president; Whitney Kibodeaux, vice president; Breleigh Page, secretary; Eli Rogers, historian/reporter; and Bree Sanford, parliamentarian; and

WHEREAS, each officer works with the entire membership to improve their heads for managing clearer thinking, their hearts for caring and greater loyalty, their hands for giving and enlarging service, and their health for better living, all done for their club, their community, their country, and their world.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby designate May 9, 2024, as 4-H Day at the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana and commends the state 4-H officers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to state 4-H president, Zachary Cryer.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE