A MEMORIAL

CELEBRATING THE FFA YOUTH ORGANIZATION; DECLARING JANUARY 26, 2022 "FFA DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, FFA, formerly known as future farmers of

America, has been a premier youth leadership organization in

New Mexico for more than eighty years; and

WHEREAS, FFA sponsors chapters in rural and urban areas throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, more than three thousand six hundred youths between twelve and twenty-one years of age participate in FFA youth development programs statewide; and

WHEREAS, FFA youth development programs are diverse and help participants to acquire important life skills, such as leadership, responsible citizenship, critical thinking, problem solving, decision-making, conflict resolution and communication skills, that directly contribute to the successful transition of young people into productive adults; and

WHEREAS, FFA participants report having more confidence, positive self-identity, greater control in their lives and a better ability to make decisions independently; and

WHEREAS, FFA participants also report that they set goals, take responsibility for their actions, take pride in many things and believe that their lives have purpose and

1	meaning;
2	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
3	REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that in
4	recognition of the contribution of the FFA to the state,
5	January 26, 2022 be declared "FFA Day" in the house of
6	representatives; and
7	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
8	transmitted to the New Mexico FFA association
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