

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

3 SENATE
4 RESOLUTION 11

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7 A Resolution proclaiming April 5, 2017, as the 21st
8 Annual 4-H Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol and
9 celebrating youth who have made an impact on the
10 community.

11 WHEREAS, 4-H is the youth component of the Cooperative Extension
12 Service and has based its programming on the philosophy of "learning
13 by doing" since the initiation of the program in Oklahoma in 1908;
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15 WHEREAS, the 4-H program is geared toward young people between
16 the ages of 5 and 19 and is the largest youth organization in the
17 world; and

18 WHEREAS, youth around the state strive daily to improve the
19 quality of life within their counties and work to make Oklahoma
20 communities better for all citizens; and

21 WHEREAS, 4-H is actively engaged in helping its members create
22 the best future possible by developing valuable life skills such as
23 self-esteem, leadership and citizenship; and
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1 WHEREAS, youth involved in 4-H are led by nearly 19,000 caring
2 adults whose generosity of time helps club members develop courage,
3 confidence, determination and entrepreneurship within themselves;
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5 WHEREAS, 4-H programming involves science, technology,
6 engineering and math opportunities while still honoring its century-
7 old agricultural roots; and

8 WHEREAS, more than 157,000 Oklahoma youth are reached through 4-
9 H programming, through club membership, project clubs and school
10 enrichment programs; and

11 WHEREAS, volunteer leaders and Oklahoma 4-H members combined
12 annually contribute more than 137,000 volunteer hours of service,
13 valued at a \$2.9 million contribution back to their communities and
14 state; and

15 WHEREAS, 4-H members, as part of the Oklahoma Cooperative
16 Extension Service provided by Oklahoma State University and Langston
17 University, continue to work together to follow the 4-H motto of "To
18 Make the Best Better" in all communities across the state.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION
20 OF THE 56TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

21 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate proclaims April 5, 2017, as the
22 21st Annual 4-H Day at the Oklahoma State Capitol.

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1 THAT the Oklahoma State Senate celebrates the youth who have
2 made an impact on their community and are rising to the challenges
3 of a complex and changing world.

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