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A MEMORIAL

CELEBRATING THE FFA YOUTH ORGANIZATION; DECLARING FEBRUARY 23, 2021 "FFA DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, FFA, formerly 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
and 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
and take responsibility for their actions, they take pride in
many things and their lives have purpose and meaning;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that in recognition
of the contribution of the FFA to the state, February 23, 2021
be declared "FFA Day" in the house of representatives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
transmitted to New Mexico's FFA organization.

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