

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 17

2 **52ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2015**

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 DECLARING FEBRUARY 17, 2015 "4-H DAY" AT THE LEGISLATURE.

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13 WHEREAS, 4-H has been a premier youth leadership  
14 organization in New Mexico for more than eighty years; and

15 WHEREAS, 4-H sponsors clubs in rural and urban areas  
16 throughout the state; and

17 WHEREAS, more than sixty thousand youths between the ages  
18 of five and twenty-one participate in 4-H youth development  
19 programs statewide; and

20 WHEREAS, 4-H youth development programs are diverse and  
21 help participants acquire important life skills, including  
22 leadership, responsible citizenship, critical thinking,  
23 problem-solving, decision-making, conflict resolution and  
24 communication skills, that directly contribute to the  
25 successful transition of young people into productive adults;

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2 WHEREAS, 4-H participants report having greater confidence  
3 and a more positive self-identity, stating that they have  
4 greater control over events in their lives and a better ability  
5 to make decisions on their own, that they set goals and take  
6 responsibility for their actions, that they can take pride in  
7 many things and that their lives have purpose and meaning;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
9 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that, in recognition of the contributions  
10 of 4-H to the state, February 17, 2015 be declared "4-H Day" at  
11 the legislature; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
13 transmitted to New Mexico state university's 4-H youth  
14 development organization.