1	SENATE MEMORIAL 11
2	53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017
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10	A MEMORIAL
11	CELEBRATING THE FFA YOUTH ORGANIZATION; DECLARING FEBRUARY 22,
12	2017 "FFA DAY" IN THE SENATE.
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14	WHEREAS, FFA, formerly future farmers of America, has been
15	a premier youth leadership organization in New Mexico for more
16	than eighty years; and
17	WHEREAS, FFA sponsors chapters in rural and urban areas
18	throughout the state; and
19	WHEREAS, more than five thousand youths between twelve and
20	twenty-one years of age participate in FFA youth development
21	programs statewide; and
22	WHEREAS, FFA youth development programs are diverse and
23	help participants to acquire important life skills, such as
24	leadership, responsible citizenship, critical thinking, problem
25	solving, decision-making, conflict resolution and communication
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1	skills, that directly contribute to the successful transition
2	of young people into productive adults; and
3	WHEREAS, FFA participants report having more confidence
4	and positive self-identity, greater control in their lives and
5	a better ability to make decisions independently; and
6	WHEREAS, FFA participants also report that they set goals
7	and take responsibility for their actions, they take pride in
8	many things, and their lives have purpose and meaning;
9	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
10	OF NEW MEXICO that, in recognition of the contribution of the
11	FFA to the state, February 22, 2017 be declared "FFA Day" in
12	the senate; and
13	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
14	transmitted to New Mexico's FFA organization.
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