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HOUSE MEMORIAL 30

**55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022**

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING JANUARY 28, 2022 "4-H DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, 4-H is the largest youth organization in the  
world with seven million youth members and six hundred three  
thousand volunteer leaders; and

WHEREAS, 4-H has been a premier youth leadership  
organization in New Mexico for over one hundred years; and

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

WHEREAS, more than thirty thousand youths between the ages  
of five and eighteen participate in 4-H youth development  
programs statewide; and

WHEREAS, more than three thousand volunteers aid 4-H youth  
development programs, and more than two hundred projects are

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1 available in New Mexico; and

2 WHEREAS, 4-H youth development programs are diverse and  
3 help participants acquire important life skills, including  
4 leadership, responsible citizenship, critical thinking,  
5 problem-solving, decision-making, conflict resolution and  
6 communication skills, that directly contribute to the  
7 successful transition of young people into productive adults;  
8 and

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

15 WHEREAS, 4-H projects are offered in creative arts, health  
16 and nutrition, natural science, plants and animals,  
17 communications and many more areas; and

18 WHEREAS, the objective of 4-H is to teach members how to  
19 think, not what to think;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
21 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that, in recognition  
22 of the contributions of 4-H to the state, January 28, 2022 be  
23 declared "4-H Day" in the house of representatives; and

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
25 transmitted to New Mexico state university's 4-H youth

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