

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72

BY SENATORS WHITE AND THOMPSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Layni LeBlanc on being the first woman from Louisiana to serve as a national officer of the National Future Farmers of America Organization.

WHEREAS, Layni was elected as the National Future Farmers of America "FFA" secretary during the 91st National FFA Convention and Expo held October 24-27, 2018, in Indianapolis, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Layni is the first Louisiana FFA member elected as a national officer in thirty-one years, the fifth overall since 1930, and the first female from the state in history; and

WHEREAS, as a national FFA officer, students are tasked with advocating for agricultural education and throughout the year they make FFA chapter visits and meet with agricultural stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, as part of her duties as a national officer, Layni will travel to forty states and Japan to promote agriculture and the FFA; and

WHEREAS, she will serve the national secretary on a team of five other officers from different states; and

WHEREAS, with more than six hundred seventy thousand members in all fifty states, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands, the National FFA Organization has a strong presence as the largest student-led organization in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Layni is a graduate of Walker High School and is currently a junior studying animal science at Louisiana State University College of Agriculture and the Honors College; and

WHEREAS, she has been a member of FFA since her freshmen year of high school when she decided to take an agriscience class because it was the closest subject that related to her love of animals; and

WHEREAS, Layni decided to run for national office to build relationships across the country, to serve with a team of people, and to grow and learn from the members of FFA; and

WHEREAS, Layni embodies the FFA motto, "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve" and gives other members encouragement as they experience the opportunities of the organization.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate Layni LeBlanc on being the first woman from Louisiana to serve as a national officer of the National Future Farmers of America Organization.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that her notable accomplishment is hereby recorded for posterity and that the Legislature of Louisiana also extends enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor she brings to her family and friends, her community, and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Layni LeBlanc.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES