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2021 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY SENATOR CATHEY

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Designates May 25, 2021, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and commends the state officers of the Louisiana FFA Association.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To designate May 25, 2021, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to commend the
3	state officers of the Louisiana FFA Association.
4	WHEREAS, in 1917, Congress passed the Smith-Hughes National Vocational
5	Education Act to appropriate federal dollars to states for the purpose of finding teachers,
6	supervisors, and directors of agricultural subjects as well as trade, home economics, and
7	industrial subjects in high schools across the United States and has since funded programs
8	created pursuant to the Act; and
9	WHEREAS, in the early 1920s, student interest generated by the addition of these
10	classes prompted the first state organization of future farmers, and in 1928, thirty-three
11	students from eighteen states convened to form Future Farmers of America (FFA), known
12	since 1988 as the National FFA Organization; and
13	WHEREAS, the goal of FFA, as conceptualized in its mission statement, is to make
14	a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier
15	leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education; and
16	WHEREAS, the FFA motto, "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live,
17	Living to Serve", provides members words to live by as they experience the opportunities
18	of the organization; and

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1	WHEREAS, the national FFA organization consists of more than seven hundred
2	thousand members in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the United States Virgin Islands;
3	and
4	WHEREAS, the Louisiana membership of the FFA organization continues to be
5	strongly represented by agricultural students in two hundred four chapters in fifty-one
6	parishes throughout the state, with over eleven thousand members; and
7	WHEREAS, the members of the Louisiana Senate recognize the importance of
8	agriculture to the economy of this state, as well as the importance of the education and
9	training students receive through agricultural education programs that develop competent
10	and assertive agricultural leadership; and
11	WHEREAS, the role that FFA and the training and education afforded by funding
12	through the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins
13	V) play in maintaining Louisiana's agricultural sector as an essential economic driver in the
14	state are recognized and supported by the members of the Louisiana Senate.
15	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
16	does hereby designate May 25, 2021, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.
17	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana also
18	recognizes and commends the 2020-2021 state FFA officers as follows: Kaleb LeMoine,
19	president; Emmerson Lyons, secretary; Elizabeth Richwine, vice president; Sydni Walker,
20	vice president; Sadie Foster, vice president; Haley Faciane, treasurer; Megan Chiasson,
21	reporter; Faith Thibodeaux, sentinel; and Bryson Johnson, parliamentarian.
22	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
23	Kaleb LeMoine, state president of the Louisiana FFA Association.
	The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Curry Lann.

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