

1 A MEMORIAL

2 CELEBRATING THE FFA YOUTH ORGANIZATION; DECLARING JANUARY 26,  
3 2022 "FFA DAY" IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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5 WHEREAS, FFA, formerly known as future farmers of  
6 America, has been a premier youth leadership organization in  
7 New Mexico for more than eighty years; and

8 WHEREAS, FFA sponsors chapters in rural and urban areas  
9 throughout the state; and

10 WHEREAS, more than three thousand six hundred youths  
11 between twelve and twenty-one years of age participate in FFA  
12 youth development programs statewide; and

13 WHEREAS, FFA youth development programs are diverse and  
14 help participants to acquire important life skills, such as  
15 leadership, responsible citizenship, critical thinking,  
16 problem solving, decision-making, conflict resolution and  
17 communication skills, that directly contribute to the  
18 successful transition of young people into productive adults;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, FFA participants report having more confidence,  
21 positive self-identity, greater control in their lives and a  
22 better ability to make decisions independently; and

23 WHEREAS, FFA participants also report that they set  
24 goals, take responsibility for their actions, take pride in  
25 many things and believe that their lives have purpose and

