SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 299

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the members of Texas Farm Bureau District Four and Texans across the state in celebrating Texas Farm Bureau Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Farm Bureau was founded in 1933 and is one of the largest groups of farmers, ranchers, and rural families in the world; it is committed to the principle of grassroots policy development, with ideas coming directly from members before being proposed and enacted in the legislative arena; and

WHEREAS, District Four encompasses Collin, Cooke, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Fannin, Grayson, Hill, Hood, Hunt, Johnson, Kaufman, Navarro, Parker, Rockwall, Somervell, and Tarrant Counties; it contains more than 20,000 farms covering some 3.7 million acres and is a leading producer of forage crops and cattle; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Farm Bureau has played a critical role in representing agricultural interests at the local, state, and national levels, and it is truly fitting that a day be set aside to acknowledge its members' hard work and dedication; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the members of the Texas Farm Bureau District Four on their many contributions to the wealth and prosperity of our state and extend to them best wishes for a memorable Texas Farm Bureau Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this exemplary organization as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

> Birdwell, Carona, Deuell, Harris, Nelson, Shapiro, West

Member, Texas Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 17, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate