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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, February 21 to 28, 2015, has been set aside as
2 National FFA Week, and in conjunction with this observance,
3 members, advisors, and guests of the Texas FFA Association are
4 gathering in Austin on February 24, 2015, to celebrate Texas FFA Day
5 at the State Capitol; and

6 WHEREAS, For nearly 100 years, FFA has helped youth develop
7 knowledge and skills related to agriculture, food, and natural
8 resources; the FFA program is integral to a three-part educational
9 model that also encompasses classroom instruction and supervised
10 agricultural experiences, which may include such activities as
11 starting a business or working in production or for an established
12 company; and

13 WHEREAS, This noteworthy organization fosters good
14 citizenship and strong leadership in Texas schools, and over the
15 course of its long history, it has produced many outstanding
16 community, state, and national leaders of industry, education, and
17 government, including many members who have served in this chamber;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, The largest FFA organization in the country, the
20 Texas association has more than 106,000 members and is guided by
21 elected officers who each represent one of the state's 10 FFA areas;
22 each year, the organization awards more than \$2 million in
23 scholarships to deserving members who have demonstrated academic
24 excellence, career readiness, and preparation for effective civic

1 engagement; and

2 WHEREAS, The Texas FFA Association contributes immeasurably
3 to the success of agricultural, career, and technical education,
4 and in so doing, it has greatly enhanced the prosperity of the Lone
5 Star State; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby recognize February 24, 2015, as Texas FFA Day at
8 the State Capitol and extend to all those participating sincere
9 best wishes for an informative and enjoyable event; and, be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the Texas FFA Association as an expression of high
13 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.