

2018 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 97

BY SENATOR THOMPSON

LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS. Designates April 26, 2018, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and commends the state officers of the Louisiana FFA Association.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate April 26, 2018, 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 funding 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 funded programs created
8 pursuant to the Act since; 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 different states convened to form Future Farmers of America (FFA),
12 known today as the National FFA Organization; and

13 WHEREAS, the goal of FFA, as conceptualized in their mission statement, is to
14 make 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", gives members words to live by as they experience the opportunities of the
18 organization; and

1 WHEREAS, the national FFA organization consists of more than six hundred-fifty
2 thousand members in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands; and

3 WHEREAS, the Louisiana membership of the FFA organization continues to be
4 strongly represented by agricultural students in approximately two hundred and seven
5 chapters in fifty-one parishes throughout the state with over ten thousand members; and

6 WHEREAS, the members of the Louisiana Senate recognize the importance of
7 agriculture to the economy of this state, as well as the importance of the education and
8 training students receive through agricultural education programs that develop competent
9 and assertive agricultural leadership.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
11 does hereby designate April 26, 2018, as FFA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana also
13 recognizes and commends the 2017-2018 state FFA officers as follows: Isabel Oakley,
14 president; Caroline Hardy, secretary; Christian Cole, vice president; Sam Tarpley,
15 vice president; Keegan Neal, vice president; Jaci Cooper, vice president; Jeremy Leonard,
16 treasurer; Sara Toal, reporter; Brennan Uzee, sentinel; and Abbagail Gobert, parliamentarian.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to
18 Isabel Oakley, 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 Tammy Crain Waldrop.

DIGEST

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