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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY VOGEL, SCHWANK, LANGERHOLC, BROOKS, COMITTA,  
ARGALL, PENNYCUICK, STEFANO, ROTHMAN, BARTOLOTTA, MARTIN,  
HUTCHINSON, COSTA, J. WARD AND DUSH, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

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REFERRED TO RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of February 18 through 25, 2023, as "FFA  
2 Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Future Farmers of America, now the National FFA  
4 Organization (FFA), has grown from its agricultural beginnings  
5 into a broad-spectrum leadership incubator; and

6 WHEREAS, The FFA creed expresses belief in the future of  
7 agriculture with the following portion of its creed: "with a  
8 faith born not of words but of deeds"; and

9 WHEREAS, In accordance with the FFA motto, members serve  
10 their chapter, community and country by cultivating friendships  
11 and planting new ideas and seeds of hope wherever they go:

12 "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living  
13 to Serve";

14 and

15 WHEREAS, FFA in the 21st century welcomes young women and  
16 young men with diverse backgrounds, and FFA membership has  
17 reached an all-time record high; and

1       WHEREAS, More than 735,000 FFA members from 50 states and  
2 Puerto Rico are learning to be successful leaders in  
3 agriculture, agribusiness, agriscience and other fields; and

4       WHEREAS, Many FFA members live far from working farms but  
5 have an interest in related disciplines, including food science,  
6 turf management and horticulture; and

7       WHEREAS, FFA members who live in rural farm areas now  
8 represent 27% of the national organization; and

9       WHEREAS, More than 13,600 students enrolled in agricultural  
10 education classes across this Commonwealth continue to wear the  
11 traditional blue corduroy jacket which distinguishes FFA  
12 members; and

13       WHEREAS, Pennsylvania FFA is led by seven State Officers who  
14 defer college and career for one year to advocate for  
15 agriculture, agricultural education and FFA; and

16       WHEREAS, James Winklosky of Westmoreland County presides as  
17 the State FFA President; therefore be it

18       RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the week of February 18  
19 through 25, 2023, as "FFA Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it  
20 further

21       RESOLVED, That the Senate congratulate the members, advisers  
22 and parents involved with this exemplary youth organization.