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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 660 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY M. K. KELLER, CAUSER, PASHINSKI, BAKER, BARBIN, BERNSTINE, BIZZARRO, D. COSTA, CUTLER, DIGIROLAMO, DUSH, ENGLISH, EVERETT, FEE, GREINER, HAHN, A. HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HILL-EVANS, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, KINSEY, KIRKLAND, KNOWLES, LONGIETTI, MACKENZIE, MALONEY, MARSHALL, MARSICO, MATZIE, METZGAR, MILLARD, MURT, NEILSON, O'NEILL, ORTITAY, PETRARCA, PICKETT, QUIGLEY, RAPP, READSHAW, RYAN, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SCHWEYER, SNYDER, SONNEY, TOOHIL, WARD, WATSON AND WENTLING, JANUARY 25, 2018

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JANUARY 25, 2018

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A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of February 19 through 26, 2018, 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 a faith born not of words but of deeds"; and

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

11 "learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live, living to  
12 serve"; and

13 WHEREAS, The FFA State Theme is "Initiate, Create,  
14 Illuminate"; and

1 WHEREAS, The FFA National Theme is "I Can. We Will."; and

2 WHEREAS, The FFA in the 21st century welcomes young women and  
3 young men with diverse backgrounds; and

4 WHEREAS, FFA membership has reached an all-time record high;  
5 and

6 WHEREAS, More than 653,359 FFA members from 50 states, Puerto  
7 Rico and the Virgin Islands are learning to be successful  
8 leaders in production agriculture, agribusiness, agriscience and  
9 nine other fields; and

10 WHEREAS, Many FFA members live far from working farms yet  
11 have an interest in related fields such as food science, turf  
12 management and horticulture; and

13 WHEREAS, FFA members who live in rural areas now represent  
14 27% of the national organization; and

15 WHEREAS, Females comprise 45% of total membership and nearly  
16 50% of all FFA officer teams; and

17 WHEREAS, More than 13,000 young people across this  
18 Commonwealth continue to wear the traditional blue corduroy  
19 jacket that distinguishes FFA members; and

20 WHEREAS, State FFA President Nathan Moyer of Snyder County  
21 represents today's diverse FFA; therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the  
23 week of February 19 through 26, 2018, as "FFA Week" in  
24 Pennsylvania and congratulate the members, advisers and parents  
25 involved with this exemplary youth organization.