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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, MARCH 25, 2019

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the 4-H organization and annual 4-H Capital Days in  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Early records indicate that the 4-H organization  
4 originated in Mercer County, and the first 4-H club met in the  
5 Mercer County Courthouse under the leadership of Charles G.  
6 McBride; and

7 WHEREAS, The Smith-Lever Act of 1914 authorizes the joint use  
8 of Federal and state funds for agricultural and home economics  
9 extension work, including work with children in rural areas; and

10 WHEREAS, As a result of the Smith-Lever Act of 1914, the work  
11 of national 4-H clubs was adopted by land grant colleges; and

12 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University 4-H Youth Division  
13 of Cooperative Extension is responsible for planning, organizing  
14 and supervising 4-H work throughout this Commonwealth; and

15 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State University 4-H Youth Division

1 of Cooperative Extension teaches young people about all of the  
2 following:

3 (1) Community development and citizenship programs on  
4 how to work with adults to become useful citizens.

5 (2) Consumer education programs.

6 (3) Opportunities for career exploration.

7 (4) Leisure education.

8 (5) Developing various manual skills and essential life  
9 skills;

10 and

11 WHEREAS, The 4-H Capital Days is an annual three-day event  
12 designed to teach young people about civic engagement and  
13 provide an arena for them to see how their State government  
14 works first-hand; and

15 WHEREAS, Participants in 4-H Capital Days attend workshops,  
16 tour the Capitol Building, have a mock legislative session, hear  
17 from various speakers and learn about various topics involving  
18 State government, including all of the following:

19 (1) How to read a bill.

20 (2) Engaging in civil discourse.

21 (3) How to become an advocate.

22 (4) How to secure voting machines and working the polls  
23 during elections;

24 therefore be it

25 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the 4-H  
26 organization and the annual 4-H Capital Days in Pennsylvania.