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Pelton B. and Roberts,

House Committees

Senate Committees

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 25-1006

101 **CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF COLORADO 4-H DAY.**

1 WHEREAS, The Colorado 4-H Youth Development program is
2 founded on the notion that youth are a vital resource for ensuring a better
3 tomorrow, and assisting youth as they prepare for the future is the 4-H
4 program's central mission; and

5 WHEREAS, The Colorado 4-H program is an integral part of
6 Colorado State University Extension and is fundamental to the land-grant
7 university mission; and

8 WHEREAS, Participation in 4-H in Colorado is open to youth
9 between the ages of 5 and 19 from all economic, social, and cultural
10 backgrounds; and

11 WHEREAS, More than 107,000 Colorado youth, with the

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1 guidance of more than 11,000 adult and youth volunteer leaders, currently
2 contribute to their communities and gain practical experience in career
3 exploration through their 4-H projects and activities; and

4 WHEREAS, 4-H grows young people who have essential life
5 skills like confidence, courage, resilience, and curiosity and who are
6 empowered and prepared for life today and tomorrow; and

7 WHEREAS, Compared to their peers, youth involved in 4-H
8 programs are:

- 9 ● Four times more likely to make contributions to their
10 communities; and
- 11 ● Two times more likely to be civically engaged, to make
12 healthier choices, and to participate in after-school STEM
13 programs; now, therefore,

14 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fifth*
15 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

16 (1) That the General Assembly salutes the Colorado 4-H program,
17 in partnership with Colorado State University Extension, in its efforts to
18 prepare Colorado's youth for the future by providing a wealth of
19 opportunities for young people to acquire decision-making, leadership,
20 and communication skills in a hands-on, friendly learning environment;

21 (2) That the General Assembly encourages young people in
22 Colorado to get a head start in life by participating in 4-H activities; and

23 (3) That the General Assembly hereby declares Monday, January
24 27, 2025, to be "Colorado 4-H Day" in recognition of the 4-H program's
25 efforts on behalf of Colorado's youth.

26 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent
27 to Governor Jared Polis and Colorado's Commissioner of Agriculture,
28 Kate Greenberg.