

**House Resolution**

**No. 12**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Bigelow**

March 7, 2013

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House Resolution No. 12—Relative to the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program.

1 WHEREAS, 2013 marks the centennial year of the University  
2 of California 4-H Youth Development Program; and

3 WHEREAS, The University of California 4-H Youth  
4 Development Program is deserving of special public recognition  
5 and the highest commendations for its distinguished record of  
6 helping young people become healthy, happy, and thriving citizens  
7 who make a positive difference in their communities; and

8 WHEREAS, The mission of the University of California 4-H  
9 Youth Development Program is to engage youth in reaching their  
10 fullest potential while advancing the field of youth development;  
11 and

12 WHEREAS, More than 72,000 young people are active annually  
13 in 4-H programs in California, and there have been more than one  
14 million 4-H alumni in this state since the founding of 4-H; and

15 WHEREAS, Youth-adult partnerships and youth-centered  
16 educational programs are available through local clubs, after school  
17 programs, and camps; and

18 WHEREAS, The Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources  
19 of the University of California, a land-grant university, delivers  
20 the 4-H Youth Development Program through the California  
21 Cooperative Extension System; and

1 WHEREAS, There are 13,400 adult volunteers in California  
2 who contribute countless hours and effort each year to educating  
3 young 4-H members; and

4 WHEREAS, 4-H emphasizes programming to promote healthy  
5 living, science, engineering, technology literacy, citizenship, and  
6 leadership through learning-by-doing; and

7 WHEREAS, 4-H addresses issues facing young people wherever  
8 they may live, including cities, suburbs, and rural communities;  
9 and

10 WHEREAS, 4-H values young people as a resource capable of  
11 providing solutions to the critical issues facing our communities;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, 4-H members create positive changes in every  
14 community in the State of California; and

15 WHEREAS, 4-H members build skills that help them to thrive  
16 as competent, confident, caring leaders of character who are  
17 connected to others and contribute to their communities; now,  
18 therefore, be it

19 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the  
20 University of California 4-H Youth Development Program be  
21 commended, on the occasion of its centennial, for the outstanding  
22 contributions it has made to young people throughout the state,  
23 and that it be extended sincere best wishes for the next 100 years;  
24 and be it further

25 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
26 of this resolution to the author and to the University of California  
27 4-H Youth Development Program.

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