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8 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

9 COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS FOR THEIR VITAL
10 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECURITY AND ECONOMIC WELL-
11 BEING OF THE STATE AND THE NATION, AND FOR
12 PRODUCING THE FOOD AND FIBER THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO
13 THE HEALTH AND SECURITY OF THE CITIZENS OF THIS
14 STATE AND PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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16 **Subtitle**

17 COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS FOR THEIR
18 VITAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECURITY AND
19 ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE STATE AND THE
20 NATION.
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23 WHEREAS, Twenty-five percent (25%) of Arkansas' economy is based on
24 food, fiber, and forestry; and

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26 WHEREAS, Two-thirds (2/3) of Arkansas' counties rely heavily on farming
27 and forestry as their industrial base; and

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29 WHEREAS, Agriculture and related activities and industries employ one
30 (1) in every five (5) Arkansans; and

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32 WHEREAS, Agricultural pursuits in this state generate a value in excess
33 of fifteen billion dollars (\$15,000,000,000) annually which contributes to
34 Arkansas' stable and well-balanced economy; and

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36 WHEREAS, Farmers, ranchers, and foresters provide the bulk of the



1 state's wildlife habitat, practice sound environmental stewardship, and
2 supply community leadership throughout rural Arkansas; and

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4 WHEREAS, The agricultural community contributes a substantial portion
5 of the revenues which finance state and local services to all this state's
6 citizens; and

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8 WHEREAS, Arkansas farmers, ranchers, and foresters are deserving of
9 public commendation and appreciation,

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11 NOW THEREFORE,

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
13 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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15 THAT the Senate expresses sincere appreciation to Arkansas farmers for
16 their outstanding contributions to the economy of the state and nation and to
17 the well-being of the people and commends them for their dedication to the
18 wise utilization of our resources.