

1 State of Arkansas  
2 89th General Assembly  
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HR 1007

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS FOR THEIR VITAL  
9 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECURITY AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING  
10 OF THE STATE AND THE NATION AND FOR PRODUCING THE  
11 FOOD AND FIBER THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTH AND  
12 SECURITY OF THE CITIZENS OF THIS STATE AND PEOPLE  
13 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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22 WHEREAS, Nearly twenty percent (20%) of Arkansas's economy is based on  
23 food, fiber, and forestry; and

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

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28 WHEREAS, Agriculture and related activities and industries employ one  
29 (1) in every six (6) Arkansans; and

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31 WHEREAS, Agricultural pursuits in this state generate a value in excess  
32 of sixteen billion dollars (\$16,000,000,000) annually which contributes to  
33 Arkansas's stable and well-balanced economy; and

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35 WHEREAS, Farmers, ranchers, and foresters provide the bulk of the  
36 state's wildlife habitat, practice sound environmental stewardship, and



1 supply community leadership throughout rural Arkansas; and

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

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

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10 NOW THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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