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## SENATE RESOLUTION

COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS FOR THEIR VITAL  
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BEING OF THE STATE AND THE NATION, AND FOR  
PRODUCING THE FOOD AND FIBER THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO  
THE HEALTH AND SECURITY OF THE CITIZENS OF THIS  
STATE AND PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

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WHEREAS, twenty-five percent (25%) of Arkansas' economy is based on  
food, fiber, and forestry; and

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WHEREAS, two-thirds (2/3) of Arkansas' counties rely primarily on  
farming and forestry as their industrial base; and

WHEREAS, agriculture and related activities and industries employ one  
(1) in four (4) Arkansans; and

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WHEREAS, agricultural pursuits in this state produce wealth in excess  
of thirteen billion dollars (\$13,000,000,000) annually and contribute  
immeasurably to Arkansas' stable and well-balanced economy; and

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-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
13 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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