1	State of Arkansas				
2	95th General Assembly				
3	Regular Session, 2025 HR 1				
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5	By: Representative Lynch				
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8	HOUSE RESOLUTION				
9	COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS, RANCHERS, AND FORESTERS				
10	FOR THEIR VITAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECURITY AND				
11	ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND THE				
12	NATION AND FOR PRODUCING THE FOOD AND FIBER THAT IS				
13	ESSENTIAL TO THE HEALTH AND SECURITY OF THE CITIZENS				
14	OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE				
15	WORLD.				
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18	Subtitle				
19	COMMENDING ARKANSAS FARMERS, RANCHERS,				
20	AND FORESTERS FOR THEIR VITAL				
21	CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SECURITY AND				
22	ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE STATE OF				
23	ARKANSAS AND THE NATION.				
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25	WHEREAS, nearly twenty percent (20%) of Arkansas's economy is based on				
26	food, fiber, and forestry; and				
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28	WHEREAS, two-thirds (2/3) of Arkansas's counties rely heavily on				
29	farming and forestry as their economic base; and				
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31	WHEREAS, agriculture and food-related activities and industries provide				
32	more than two hundred forty thousand (240,000) jobs and employ one (1) in				
33	every seven (7) Arkansans; and				
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35	WHEREAS, agricultural pursuits in this state generate a value in excess				
36	of twenty-four billion dollars (\$24,000,000,000) to the Arkansas economy				



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     annually, which contributes to Arkansas's stable and well-balanced economy;
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           WHEREAS, Arkansas ranks in the top one-third (1/3) of the nation for
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     agricultural cash farm receipts, including being a top-five producer of rice,
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     broiler chickens, cotton, catfish, and turkeys; and
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           WHEREAS, Arkansas has more than thirty-seven thousand four hundred
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     (37,400) farms on nearly fourteen million (14,000,000) acres and more than
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     nineteen million (19,000,000) acres of forestland; and
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           WHEREAS, Arkansas ranks fourteenth in agricultural cash receipts in the
     nation; and
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           WHEREAS, Arkansas farmers, ranchers, and foresters feed and clothe
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     people worldwide; and
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           WHEREAS, farmers, ranchers, and foresters provide the bulk of the
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     state's wildlife habitat, practice sound environmental stewardship, and
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     supply community leadership throughout rural Arkansas; and
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           WHEREAS, the agricultural community contributes a substantial portion
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     of the revenues that finance state and local services to all of Arkansas's
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     citizens; and
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           WHEREAS, Arkansas farmers, ranchers, and foresters are deserving of
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     public commendation and appreciation,
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     NOW THEREFORE,
     BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL
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     ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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           THAT the House of Representatives express sincere appreciation to
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     Arkansas farmers, ranchers, and foresters for their outstanding contributions
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     to the economy of the State of Arkansas and nation and to the well-being of
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     the people and commend them for their dedication to the wise utilization of
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