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7 **SENATE 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**

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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 SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
12 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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