HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1010

Introduced by: Representatives Lucas, Blake, Boomgarden, Brunner, Burg, Conzet, Dennert, Elliott, Engels, Faehn, Fargen, Feickert, Feinstein, Frerichs, Gibson, Gosch, Greenfield, Hunhoff (Bernie), Hunt, Jensen, Juhnke, Killer, Kirkeby, Kopp, Krebs, Lange, Lederman, Moser, Noem, Novstrup (David), Olson (Ryan), Pitts, Rausch, Rave, Rounds, Russell, Schlekeway, Schrempp, Sly, Solberg, Solum, Sorenson, Steele, Street, Turbiville, Van Gerpen, Vanderlinde, and Wismer and Senators Olson (Russell), Ahlers, Bartling, Bradford, Garnos, Hanson (Gary), Heidepriem, Howie, Hundstad, Jerstad, Kloucek, Merchant, Nesselhuf, Peterson, and Rhoden

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending and honoring South Dakota's one hundred eighty-eight agriculture educators on National Teach Agriculture Day, February 25, 2010.

WHEREAS, agriculture is South Dakota's largest industry, having an economic impact of more than twenty-one billion dollars and accounting for forty percent of the state's workforce; and

WHEREAS, agriculture educators positively impact the lives of students in the state's middle schools, high schools, technical institutes, and at the state's land grant university, and contribute to our global community through their efforts in providing a rigorous education to students; and

WHEREAS, agriculture educators are in short supply across the nation, and many students and schools lack the expertise these valued teachers bring to the classroom:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-fifth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that South Dakota's agriculture educators be commended and honored for their outstanding efforts in educating the state's students and preserving the state's thriving agriculture industry.

