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U.S. House or Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear U.S. Representative,

Texas Farm Bureau (TFB), the state's largest general farm organization representing over 546,000 member families, strongly supports the U.S. House Committee on Agriculture's print to comply with reconciliation directives included in H. Con. Res. 14 Section 2001(B)(1).

We encourage the U.S. House Agriculture Committee to report the legislation to the full U.S. House of Representatives with key farm safety net provisions fully intact. We also ask for steadfast support for Chairman G.T. Thompson in this effort, as he and his team have worked diligently to meet their obligations set forth in reconciliation while also providing long-term certainty for farm and ranch families.

Farmers and ranchers have faced numerous challenges beyond their control, including extreme weather events and low commodity prices. These challenges have been exacerbated by record-high input costs and interest rates, resulting in smaller margins or no margin at all. As a result, many farmers and ranchers are finding it increasingly difficult to operate and may not be in business much longer unless added investments in the farm safety net are enacted soon.

This legislation includes additional support that producers need and deserve to help them stay in business and provide certainty for consumers. TFB is pleased to see many policy improvements included from the 'Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2024'. TFB is also proud to see many provisions provided by stakeholders included from Chairman Thompson's listening sessions and field hearings held across the country.

TFB encourages House Ag Committee members to support this bill and pass it out of committee. As the reconciliation process continues, we urge Congressional leaders to maintain the investments in Rural America in the final reconciliation bill to ensure our members can continue feeding and clothing consumers worldwide.

Sincerely,

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