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National Farmers Ratifies 2020 Ag Policy Positions at its Farm Business Meeting in Bloomington, Minnesota

(Ames, Iowa) February 14, 2020 — At National Farmers Convention 2020 in Bloomington, Minnesota February 11, members passed policy recommendations on a wide range of farm-related topics.

Members supported re-enactment of a farmer-owned grain reserve program. The plan calls for the reserve to be isolated from the market and would only be a supply of last resort. Reserves would be released at 120 percent above proposed loan rates.

The delegate body also called for re-instating mandatory Country of Origin Labeling and including it in all new trade agreements. Members believe COOL will allow producers to compete against the growing tide of undifferentiated products imported into U.S. markets.

In dairy, the organization supports a two-tier pricing system under one national Federal Milk Marketing Order. The plan includes a \$4.00 per hundredweight price adjustment for all farms up to one million pounds of monthly production.

National Farmers members also opposed any reductions to the Renewable Fuels Act, said no to granting of waivers.

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