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Senate Resolution No. 1709

By Senator Sykes

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A RESOLUTION commending Senator Jerry Moran for his unwavering support of Kansas farmers.

WHEREAS, Over the last 14 years in the United States Senate, Senator Moran has consistently placed agriculture and rural Kansas at the top of his priority list; and

WHEREAS, Senator Jerry Moran was recently appointed to serve on the United States Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; and

WHEREAS, One Kansas farmer raises enough food to feed approximately 155 individuals annually; and

WHEREAS, Kansas has 55,734 farms that generated over $23.9 billion in agricultural products in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Kansas farmers produce nearly 64% of the country's sorghum grain and are the top producer of winter wheat, which are our country's top food aid exports; and

WHEREAS, The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has partnered with Kansas farmers, universities and businesses to provide vital agricultural assistance around the world; and

WHEREAS, The value of USAID agricultural research at Kansas State University has shown a return of $8.52 for every $1 invested into the university's research projects; and

WHEREAS, The relationship between Kansas and USAID has made Kansas a global leader in addressing food insecurity worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Kansas farmers are facing all-time low commodity prices, extremely high input costs and widespread drought, which has led to financial difficulties for farmers; and

WHEREAS, Senator Moran has spoken about the importance of the United States and Kansas as providers of food aid, because food aid bolsters our national security and provides an important market to Kansas farmers: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we commend Senator Jerry Moran for his unwavering support for Kansas farmers during these times of all-time low commodity prices, extremely high input costs and widespread drought; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send

enrolled copies of this resolution to Senator Jerry Moran and Senator Sykes.