## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1001

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, in opposition to certain actions by animal rights groups to undermine agricultural producers.

WHEREAS, South Dakota's rich history is primarily based on agriculture and agricultural products; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota's economy is largely based on agricultural goods and services; and WHEREAS, agriculture has a twenty-one billion dollar impact on our state economy; and WHEREAS, our rural heritage and future well-being depend primarily on a strong agricultural base; and

WHEREAS, animal agriculture is a critical component of South Dakota's economy and agricultural infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, farmers and ranchers understand the importance of humane treatment and care of all livestock; and

WHEREAS, misleading information has negatively impacted the agriculture industry; and WHEREAS, extreme animal rights organizations pose a significant risk to agricultural producers and the agricultural community in South Dakota and in the nation as a whole:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-Eighth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, opposes any attempt for any ballot initiative or acts by groups that would undermine the livelihood of agricultural producers.

Adopted by the House of Representatives, Concurred in by the Senate,

January 23, 2013 January 29, 2013

Brian Gosch Speaker of the House Arlene Kvislen Chief Clerk of the House

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