

SENATE COMMEMORATION NO. 24

Introduced by: Senators Otten (Ernie), Ewing, Maher, and Peters and Representatives Otten (Herman), Beal, Hawley, Latterell, and Qualm

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring and congratulating the Matt and Paula Loewe family as the 2018 Farm Family of the Year as awarded by the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce.

WHEREAS, Matt and Paula Loewe made their way to Lennox, South Dakota, after the farm manager position became available for the South Dakota State University Foundation's Opportunities Farm in 2001 and, through 2005, the Loewes managed the farm for the foundation; and

WHEREAS, today, the Loewes rent nearly one thousand acres of crop and pasture land from the foundation, and feed cattle in the feedlot; and

WHEREAS, the feedlot operation may have up to nine hundred ninety-nine cattle and features three different approaches to feeding cattle, including an open-air lot, monoslope barn, and covered lots; and

WHEREAS, the Loewes primarily raise corn and soybeans but have started planting some rye; and

WHEREAS, Matt and Paula Loewe have three daughters, Madeline, Kathryn, and Allison, who are all involved in Turner County 4-H:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Third Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the Legislature congratulates and honors the Matt and Paula Loewe family on being awarded the 2018 Farm Family of the Year, recognizing the family's hard work and exemplary skills as farmers, and extending best wishes for continued success and happiness.

