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## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PENDER COUNTY FARMERS

WHEREAS, frivolous nuisance lawsuits are threatening the very existence of farming in North Carolina, and

WHEREAS, agriculture and agribusiness is the number one industry in North Carolina which contributes \$85 billion to our State's economy; and

WHEREAS, our nation enjoys a food supply that is abundant, affordable, and among the world's safest, thanks in large part to the efficiency and productivity of North Carolina's farmers; and

WHEREAS, our farmers provide the food, fuel and fiber for our state and our country; and

WHEREAS, agriculture touches the life of everyone, whether it be in our daily meals or the clothes we wear; and

WHEREAS, farming supports other community businesses and the local economy; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that we are going to need to increase food production by at least 70 percent by 2050 to meet the growing world food demands; and

WHEREAS, we are losing farmland at an alarming rate and it is getting progressively more difficult to recruit and retain farmers willing to work our state's land; and

WHEREAS, we need to support our agricultural industry and our farmers, and encourage a safe and abundant food supply.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pender County Board of Commissioners do hereby support the NC Farm Act of 2018 and our agricultural community.

ADOPTED this the 23<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018.

George R. Brown, Chairman  
Pender County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Melissa Long  
Clerk to the Board

