January 10, 2023

To the Honorable Senators Thune, Tester, Rounds, Booker, Hoeven, Lujan, Lummis, Heinrich, Barasso, and Gillibrand, and the Honorable Representatives Gooden, Khanna, and Griffith,

We the undersigned organizations would like to express our gratitude for your leadership and support of the American Beef Labeling Act (S.2716, H.R. 7291). This commonsense policy has remained popular with the American people since Congress rescinded country of origin labeling for beef in 2015. According to a poll conducted by Morning Consult on behalf of the Coalition for a Prosperous America (CPA), 86% of American voters favor the American Beef Labeling Act that reinstates Country-of-Origin Labeling (COOL) for beef. Thank you for standing with them.

Although we did not cross the finish line in the 117th Congress we are confident that with your continued leadership and our support we can ensure that beef produced from U.S. born and raised cattle is distinguished in the marketplace and consumers will have accurate information as to the origins of the beef they purchase for their families in the 118th Congress. We strongly encourage you to reintroduce and recommit your collective support to the American Beef Labeling Act in 2023 and pass it into law as soon as possible. Rest assured that we will support you in your efforts.

With gratitude,

American Economic Liberties Project

American Grassfed Association

Buckeye Quality Beef Association

Campaign for Contract Agriculture Reform

Campaign for Family Farms and the Environment

Cattle Producers of Washington

Coalition for a Prosperous America

Colorado Independent CattleGrowers Association

Consumer Federation of America

Dakota Rural Action

Farm Action Fund

Farm Aid

Farm and Ranch Freedom Alliance

Food & Water Watch

Government Accountability Project Food Integrity Campaign

Hometown Credit Union in Kulm, ND

Independent Beef Association of North Dakota

Independent Cattlemen of Missouri

Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska

Independent Cattlemen of Wyoming

Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy

Iowa Citizens for Community Improvement

Kansas Cattlemen's Association

Kansas Farmers Union

Missouri Rural Crisis Center

Montana Cattlemen's Association

Montana Farmers Union

National Dairy Producers Organization

National Family Farm Coalition

National Farmers Union

National Latino Farmers & Ranchers Trade Association

National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition

National Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE)

Nebraska Chapter of WIFE

Nebraska Farmers Union

Northern Plains Resource Council

Oglala Sioux Livestock & Landowners Association

Oklahoma Independent Stockgrowers Association

Organization for Competitive Markets

Pennsylvania Farmers Union

R-CALF USA

Rural Advancement Foundation International-USA

Rural Vermont

South Dakota Stockgrowers Association

Southern Colorado Livestock Association

Stevens County Cattlemen's Association (WA)

Texas Animal Protein Producers Prosperity & Security Group (TAPPPS Group)

United Food & Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW)

United States Cattlemen's Association

Western Organization of Resource Councils