March 18, 2012

The Honorable Jack Kingston, Chair
The Honorable Sam Farr, Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development,
Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Herb Kohl, Chair
The Honorable Roy Blunt, Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development,
Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Support for FY13 Funding for Food & Agricultural Research, Education and Economics

Dear Chairmen Kingston and Kohl and Ranking Members Farr and Blunt:

The undersigned organizations, companies, institutions and individuals urge your Subcommittees to commit to a strong federal investment in the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Research, Education, and Economics (REE) mission area as a critical component of federal appropriations for FY 2013 (FY13).

We support the President’s FY13 budget proposal for USDA’s entire REE mission area. The Administration has recognized the importance of REE funding, while recognizing current budgetary constraints.

Our support includes both USDA’s suite of extramural programs in the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), such as the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) and formula funds, and USDA’s intramural programs including the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), the Economic Research Service (ERS), and the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). We strongly support funding AFRI at the fully authorized level of $700 million as soon as practicable, and we endorse the Administration’s FY13 request for $325 million as a step in the right direction.

However, maintaining a balanced research portfolio is critical; and we urge that increases in the AFRI budget not come at the expense of other agricultural research, education and economics programs.

The success of the agriculture and food industry plays a significant role in the overall health and security of the U.S. economy and has been one of the few bright spots in recent years. In 2010, U.S. farms and ranches spent $288 billion to produce goods valued at $369 billion. The value of U.S. food and agriculture exports is expected to be more than $140 billion in 2011, creating a record trade surplus of $42.5 billion. Furthermore, the jobs of 21 million Americans depend on the vitality of the U.S. agriculture and food sector.

Investments in publicly funded research are critical for maintaining a successful agriculture and food sector. For every $1 invested in publicly funded agricultural and food research, $20 in economic activity is generated. Budgetary decisions made today have far reaching impacts, as the scientific research funded today will be responsible for enhancing the Nation’s agricultural productivity and economic prosperity in the future. A strengthened commitment to investments in science for food and agriculture is essential for maintaining the nation’s food, economic, and national security.

Thank you for your consideration and for your support of USDA’s food and agricultural research, education, and economics mission.

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18. American Soybean Association
19. American Veterinary Medical Association
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23. Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU)
24. Beet Sugar Development Foundation
25. Biotechnology Industry Organization
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28. California Association of Wheat Growers
29. Center for Applied Plant Sciences, Columbus, OH
30. Charles Valentine Riley Memorial Foundation
31. Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST)
32. Crop Science Society of America
33. CropLife America
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43. Idaho Wheat Commission
44. Idaho-Oregon Fruit and Vegetable Association
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48. Maryland Grain Producers Utilization Board
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50. Minnesota Association of Wheat Growers
51. Minnesota Crop Improvement Association
52. Minnesota Pork Producers Association
53. Minnesota Soybean Growers Association
54. Minnesota Soybean Research and Promotion Council
55. National Agricultural Aviation Association
56. National and Regional Weed Science Societies
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60. National Barley Growers Association
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62. National Chicken Council
63. National Coalition for Food and Agricultural Research
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68. National Renderers Association
69. National Sunflower Association
70. National Watermelon Association, Inc.
71. National Wheat Improvement Committee
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76. North Dakota Wheat Commission
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85. U.S. Apple Association
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88. USA Rice Federation
89. Virginia Crop Improvement Association
90. Weed Science Society of America
91. Wyoming Wheat Marketing Commission
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