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Agri-Growth Reminds Minnesotans to Thank a Farmer as Ag Week Begins

Statement from Daryn McBeth, Agri-Growth Council president, urges consumers to recognize the food and agriculture industry during the week of March 14-20.

ST. PAUL, Minn. (March 12, 2010) — The 2010 Ag Week is being celebrated during the week of March 14 through March 20, with Ag Day falling on March 20. In light of next week's significance, the President of the Minnesota Agri-Growth Council, Daryn McBeth, asks Minnesotans to remember that farmers feed us and to think specifically about the role agriculture serves in their lives during this week.

"The week of March 14-20 is an important week at the Minnesota Agri-Growth Council and a week that should be important to all Minnesotans and consumers around the United States. Agriculture is an industry that is so integrated into all of our lives, that we often forget how much respect our nation's farmers and other ag industry professionals deserve. This next week, we urge you to thank a farmer for your meals and remember that farmers feed us. Remind those in your families about the importance of agriculture and the respect and support the industry needs and deserves. America's farmers live on the land they tend and care for the environment; they provide a fresh, safe, and a secure food supply; and they are critical to the health and well-being of our economy."

Sincerely,
Daryn McBeth
President, Minnesota Agri-Growth Council

- ✓ Learn more about the Minnesota Agri-Growth Council and our membership at www.agrigrrowth.org.
- ✓ Get the facts on Ag Day and other important industry facts at www.agday.org.
- ✓ Learn more about Farmers Feed Us at www.farmersfeedus.org.

The Minnesota Agri-Growth Council (www.agrigrrowth.org) is an advocate for the state's food and agriculture industry. Founded in 1968, the Council is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that represents the shared interests of its 200-plus members, which include food and agriculture businesses, organizations and producers, as well as the service industries that support them.

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