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DELAWARE STATE SENATE  
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 97

DESIGNATING OCTOBER 12, 2023, AS "NATIONAL FARMER'S DAY" IN THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

1 WHEREAS, National Farmer's Day is celebrated annually on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October to spread awareness about  
2 farmers' contribution in the field of agriculture in the United States; and

3 WHEREAS, Americans enjoy a food supply that is abundant, affordable, and among the world's safest, thanks in  
4 large part to the efficiency and productivity of America's farm and ranch families; and

5 WHEREAS, farming accounts for roughly 1% of the U.S. gross domestic product; and

6 WHEREAS, direct on-farm employment accounted for about 2.6 million jobs in 2021; and

7 WHEREAS, 86% of U.S. agricultural products are produced on family farms and ranches; and

8 WHEREAS, one U.S. farm feeds 166 people annually in the U.S. and abroad; and

9 WHEREAS, the top three U.S. farm products are cattle, corn, and soybeans; and

10 WHEREAS, agriculture and farming have been a way of life in Delaware ever since the first settlers arrived more  
11 than three centuries ago; and

12 WHEREAS, agriculture is Delaware's single largest land use, with an estimated 2,300 farms in 2021; and

13 WHEREAS, about 90% of farms in Delaware are either sole or family proprietorships or family-owned  
14 corporations; and

15 WHEREAS, Delaware is one of the country's leading producers of broiler chickens, generating more than \$1  
16 billion in annual sales; and

17 WHEREAS, Delaware's major poultry producers are leaders in developing innovative industry trends such as  
18 organic and antibiotic-free; and

19 WHEREAS, with highly productive soil and generations of skilled farmers, Delaware is a significant producer of  
20 soybeans, field corn, watermelon, lima beans, sweet corn, and potatoes; and

21 WHEREAS, other important Delaware agricultural products include wheat, barley, apples, peaches, grapes, peas,  
22 and dairy.

23 NOW, THEREFORE:

24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the 152<sup>nd</sup> General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the House of  
25 Representatives concurring therein, that October 12, 2023, is recognized as “National Farmer’s Day” in the State of  
26 Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This Senate Concurrent Resolution designates October 12, 2023, at "National Farmer's Day" in the State of Delaware.

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