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To proclaim March 20, 1989, as “National Agriculture Day”.

Whereas agriculture is the Nation’s largest and most basic industry, and its associated production, processing, and marketing segments together provide more jobs than any other single industry;
Whereas agriculture serves all Americans by providing food, fiber, and other basic necessities of life;
Whereas the performance of the agricultural economy is vital to maintaining the strength of our national economy, the standard of living of our citizens, and our presence in world trade markets;
Whereas it is important that all Americans should understand the role that agriculture plays in their lives and well-being whether they live in urban or rural areas; and
Whereas since 1973, the first day of spring has been celebrated as National Agriculture Day by farmers and ranchers, commodity and farm organizations, cooperatives and agribusiness organizations, nonprofit and community organizations, and Federal, State, and local governments: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That March 20, 1989, is hereby proclaimed “National Agriculture Day”, and the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities during the week of March 19 through March 25, 1989.


LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.J. Res. 117:
Mar. 14, considered and passed House.
Mar. 16, considered and passed Senate.