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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 15, 2019

Mr. PETERSON (for himself and Mr. CONAWAY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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## RESOLUTION

Congratulating the American Farm Bureau Federation for a long tradition of advocacy on behalf of agriculture and rural America and for holding its 100th annual convention.

Whereas the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) grew out of the Extension education movement at land grant colleges in the early 20th century, and the organization's first formal national convention was held in Chicago in 1919;

Whereas AFBF has been a vocal and reliable advocate for farmers, ranchers, and rural Americans throughout the intervening 100 years;

Whereas the sentiments of the first national president of the AFBF, James Howard of Iowa, ring as true today as a

century ago, when he stated “what’s good for farmers is good for America”;

Whereas AFBF represents farm and ranch families in all 50 States and Puerto Rico, with 2,800 county Farm Bureaus and six million member-families;

Whereas Farm Bureau members are gathering this week in New Orleans, Louisiana, at the 100th Annual AFBF Convention and IDEAg Trade Show to conduct organizational business, participate in educational workshops, explore local agriculture, and develop leadership skills through competitions; and

Whereas the work of the AFBF is guided by a network of State organizations and is led by President Vincent “Zippy” Duvall of Georgia: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives con-  
 2       gratulates the American Farm Bureau Federation for a  
 3       long tradition of advocacy on behalf of agriculture and  
 4       rural America and for holding its 100th annual conven-  
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