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The Honorable John Boozman
Chairman
U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture,
Nutrition, and Forestry
328A Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture,
Nutrition, and Forestry
328A Russell Senate Office Building
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Dear Chairman Boozman and Ranking Member Klobuchar:

We applaud the U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry for their progress in moving towards a markup of the Agricultural Act of 2026. This important step demonstrates meaningful momentum and reinforces a shared commitment to delivering a comprehensive, long-term policy framework for U.S. growers and the agriculture industry more broadly.

As the Senate Agriculture Committee begins considerations of this legislation, we urge you to reject any amendments to undo the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Monsanto Co. v. Durnell*. The 7-2 decision reflects broad support across the Court's ideological spectrum, which affirmed that under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is the primary authority for pesticide labeling when it has made a definitive safety determination, rather than a patchwork of state court decisions or state labeling mandates.

Farmers and growers depend on clear, consistent labeling and a uniform regulatory framework to use pesticides safely and responsibly. The Supreme Court's decision provides much-needed clarity on the role of federal, science-based regulation and reaffirms the value of sound science in the regulatory process. Legislatively overturning *Durnell* would undermine the certainty of EPA-approved, science-based nationwide labels and erode grower access to current and future pesticides, threatening crops and farmer incomes, conservation practices, public health, vital infrastructure, and ultimately raising food prices for families amidst high inflation.

Simply put, *Durnell* ensures EPA's science-based labeling decisions carry national force under FIFRA. This ruling does not limit EPA's ability to review new information, update safety determinations, or use existing enforcement authorities. While it confirms state regulators and courts cannot impose conflicting labeling requirements once EPA has made a definitive safety determination, it preserves states' authority to regulate the sale and use of pesticides.

Farmers and growers rely on clear, consistent labeling and a uniform regulatory framework to use crop protection tools safely and responsibly. Further, consistent access to these products is vital to farmers' and growers' ability to deploy conservation practices. The Supreme Court decision affirmed that the EPA FIFRA review process is the gold standard when it comes to assessing the impact of crop protection products on the environment and human health. To that end, we strongly urge the Committee to reject all efforts to legislatively overturn the *Durnell* ruling.

Sincerely,

African American Farmers of California
Agribusiness Association of Iowa
Agribusiness Association of Kentucky
Agribusiness Council of Indiana
Agricultural Council of Arkansas
Agricultural Retailers Association
Alabama Farmers Federation
Alabama Nursery & Landscape Association
Alabama Soybean and Corn Association
Alaska Farm Bureau
Almond Alliance
American Agri-Women
American Dairy Coalition
American Farm Bureau Federation
American Mushroom
American Pistachio Growers
American Seed Trade Association
American Soybean Association
American Sugar Alliance
American Sugarbeet Growers Association
AmericanHort
Arizona Cotton Growers Association
Arizona Crop Protection Association
Arizona Farm Bureau Federation
Arizona Nursery Association
Arkansas Certified Crop Advisers
Arkansas Crop Protection Association
Arkansas Farm Bureau
Arkansas Rice Growers Association
Arkansas Soybean Association
Associated Oregon Hazelnut Industries
Association of North Dakota Agribusiness
Big Horn Basin Beet Growers
Big Horn County Sugarbeet Growers Association
California Alfalfa and Forage Association
California Association of Nurseries
California Association of Wheat Growers
California Cattlemen's Association
California Citrus Mutual
California Cotton Ginner and Growers Association
California Fresh Fruit Association
California Grain and Feed Association
California Seed Association

California Specialty Crops Council
California Tomato Growers Association
California Walnut Board
California Warehouse Association
Cherry Marketing Institute
Chippewa Valley Bean
Colorado Association of Wheat Growers
Colorado Farm Bureau
Colorado Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association
Colorado Livestock Association
Colorado Nursery and Greenhouse Association
Colorado Pork Producers Council
Colorado Sugarbeet Growers Association
Connecticut Farm Bureau Association, Inc.
Council of Producers & Distributors of Agrotechnology
(CPDA)
CropLife America
Delaware-Maryland Agribusiness Association
Empire State Potato Growers
Far West Agribusiness Association
Florida Citrus Mutual
Florida Cotton Growers Association
Florida Farm Bureau Federation
Florida Nursery, Growers & Landscape Association
Georgia Agribusiness Council
Georgia Cotton Commission
Georgia Farm Bureau
Georgia Florida Soybean Association
Georgia Green Industry Association, Inc.
Georgia Urban Agriculture Council
Golf Course Superintendents Association
Hawaii Cattlemen's Council
Hawaii Crop Improvement Association
Hawaii Farm Bureau
Idaho Alfalfa & Clover Seed Growers Association
Idaho Eastern Oregon Seed Association
Idaho Farm Bureau Federation
Idaho Grain Producers Association
Idaho Hay & Forage Association
Idaho Mint Growers Association
Illinois Corn Growers Association
Illinois Farm Bureau
Illinois Fertilizer & Chemical Association
Illinois Soybean Growers
Independent Bakers Association

Independent Professional Seed Association - IPSA
Indiana Corn Growers Association
Indiana Farm Bureau
Indiana Soybean Alliance - Membership and Policy
Committee
INLA - Indiana Nursery and Landscape Association
International Fresh Produce Association
Iowa Corn Growers Association
Iowa Soybean Association
Kansas Agribusiness Retailers Association
Kansas Association of Wheat Growers
Kansas Corn Growers Association
Kansas Farm Bureau
Kansas Grain and Feed Association
Kansas Sorghum Producers
Kansas Soybean Association
Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation
Kentucky Soybean Association
Louisiana Agricultural Consultants Association
Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation
Louisiana Nursery and Landscape Association
Louisiana Pest Management Association
Louisiana Cotton and Grain Association
Malheur County Onion Growers Association
Maryland Grain Producers Association
Maryland Nursery, Landscape, and Greenhouse Assoc., Inc.
Michigan Agri-Business Association
Michigan Apple Association
Michigan Corn Growers Association
Michigan Farm Bureau
Michigan Nursery & Landscape Association
Michigan Soybean Association
Michigan State Horticultural Society
Michigan Vegetable Council
Mid-Atlantic Soybean Association
Midwest Council on Agriculture
Midwest Food Products Association
Minnesota AgriGrowth
Minnesota Association of Wheat Growers
Minnesota Crop Production Retailers
Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation
Minnesota Soybean Growers Association
Mississippi Agricultural Industry Council
Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation
Mississippi Nursery & Landscape Association

Mississippi Soybean Association
Missouri Agribusiness Association
Missouri Corn Growers Association
Missouri Farm Bureau
Missouri Pork Association
Missouri Soybean Association
Modern Ag Alliance
Montana Agricultural Business Association
Montana Farm Bureau Federation
Montana Grain Growers Association
Montana Nursery & Landscape Association
National Agricultural Aviation Association
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
National Association of Wheat Growers
National Barley Growers Association
National Cattlemen's Beef Association
National Citrus Nursery Association
National Cotton Council
National Council of Farmer Cooperatives
National Onion Association
National Potato Council
National Sorghum Producers
National Sunflower Association
NC Chamber
Nebraska Agri-Business Association
Nebraska Corn Growers Association
Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation
Nebraska Soybean Association
Nebraska Sugarbeet Growers Association
New Jersey Farm Bureau
New Jersey Nursery & Landscape Association
New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau
New York Corn & Soybean Growers Association
New York Farm Bureau
New York Green Industry Council
New York State Agribusiness Association
Nisei Farmers League
North American Blueberry Council
North Carolina Agribusiness Council
North Carolina Christmas Tree Association
North Carolina Farm Bureau
North Carolina Grange
North Carolina Nursery & Landscape Association
North Carolina Peanut Growers Association
North Carolina Potato Association

North Carolina Soybean Producers Association
North Dakota Corn Growers Association
North Dakota Grain Growers Association
North Dakota Soybean Growers Association
Northharvest Bean Growers Association
Northeast Agribusiness & Feed Alliance
Northern Canola Growers Association
Northern Pulse Growers Association
Ohio AgriBusiness Association
Ohio Soybean Association
Oklahoma Farm Bureau
Oklahoma Soybean Association
Oregon Association of Nurseries
Oregon Dairy Farmers Association
Oregon Farm Bureau
Oregon Seed Council
Oregon Wheat Growers League
Oregon Women for Agriculture
Oregonians for Food and Shelter
Pacific Northwest Canola Association
PennAg Industries
Pennsylvania Farm Bureau
Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association
Pennsylvania No-Till Alliance
Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.
Potato Growers of Michigan, Inc.
Red River Valley Sugarbeet Growers Association
RISE (Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment)
South Carolina Corn and Soybean Association
South Carolina Farm Bureau
South Dakota Agri-Business Association
South Dakota Association of Cooperatives
South Dakota Soybean Association
South Dakota Wheat Growers Association
South Texas Cotton & Grain Association
Southern Crop Production Association
Southwest Council of Agribusiness
Tennessee Agricultural Products Association
Tennessee Corn Growers Association
Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation
Tennessee Nursery & Landscape Association
Tennessee Soybean Association
Texas Citrus Mutual
Texas Corn Producers Association
Texas Farm Bureau

Texas Grain Sorghum Association
Texas International Produce Association
Texas Soybean Association
Texas Vegetable Association
Texas Wheat Producers Association
TN Agricultural Production Association
Turfgrass Producers International
U.S. Apple Association
U.S. Canola Association
U.S. Durum Growers Association
U.S. Peanut Federation
US Dry Bean Council
USA Pulses
USA Rice
Utah Farm Bureau Federation
Venture Dairy Cooperative
Virginia Agribusiness Council
Virginia Cattlemen's Association
Virginia Farm Bureau Federation
Virginia Grain Producers Association
Virginia Nursery & Landscape Association
Virginia Soybean Association
WA Friends of Farms and Forests
Walnut Alliance
Washington Association of Wheat Growers
Washington Farm Bureau
Weed Science Society of America
West Virginia Farm Bureau
Western Growers
Western Plant Health Association
Western Tree Nut Association
Wisconsin Agri-Business Association
Wisconsin Soybean Association
Wyoming Ag Business Association
Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation

cc: Senate Majority Leader John Thune
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