



December 6, 2022

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader Schumer and Minority Leader McConnell:

The Agriculture Workforce Coalition urges the Senate to pass an agriculture labor reform bill this Congress that provides the solution American agriculture needs. The farm labor crisis is hindering production and contributing to food price inflation. We must address this workforce crisis threatening farms across the United States so our producers can continue to feed, clothe, and fuel our nation.

Sen. Michael Bennet (D-CO) and Sen. Mike Crapo (R-ID) are working on legislation to provide stability for our existing workers and make key reforms to the H-2A program, the visa program farmers use to hire legal workers to supplement their U.S. workforce. The House has passed legislation already and it is time now for the Senate to act before the end of the year. The House bill is not perfect and needs improvements. The Senators are working to address many of those concerns and provide stability to farmers across the country. Without immediate action by the Senate, the federal government's outdated policies and broken immigration system are forcing many farmers to consider whether they can continue in labor-intensive agriculture.

The country cannot afford for the Senate to miss this opportunity to provide stability to both farmers and farmworkers. We implore the Senate to pass legislation in a bipartisan manner to address our agricultural workforce challenges and ease inflationary pressure on food costs for all Americans.

Sincerely,

AWC Steering Committee

American Farm Bureau Federation
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Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association
International Fresh Produce Association
National Council of Agricultural Employers
National Council of Farmer Cooperatives
National Farmers Union
National Milk Producers Federation
National Pork Producers Council
National Potato Council

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Food Producers of Idaho
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Fox Packaging
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Fresh Avenue Partners
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Fresh Innovations LLC
Fresh Texas
FreshEdge
Fresh-Link Produce
Frieda's Branded Produce
Frontera Produce
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GreenVenus, LLC
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Idaho Apple Commission
Idaho Cherry Commission
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Idaho Grain Producers Association
Idaho Grower Shippers Assn.
Idaho Hay and Forage Association
Idaho Honey Industry Association
Idaho Hop Growers Association
Idaho Oilseed Commission
Idaho Onion Growers Association
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Malheur County Onion Growers Association
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Massachusetts Nursery and Landscape Association, Inc.
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Measure to Improve, LLC
Michigan Apple Committee
Michigan Farm Bureau
Michigan Milk Producers Association
Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association
Michigan Processing Apple Growers
Michigan Processing Asparagus Growers
Michigan State Horticultural Society
Mid Kansas Cooperative
Midwest Groundcovers
Midwest Trading Horticultural Supplies
Milk Producers Council
Minnesota Milk Producers Association
Minnesota Nursery & Landscape Association
Misty Organics
Montana Farm Bureau Federation
Monterey County Farm Bureau
Mount Adams Fruit
Mount Joy Farmers Cooperative Association
NAPAR
National All-Jersey
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
National Christmas Tree Association
National Cotton Council
National Milk Producers Federation
National Onion Association
National Peach Council
National Watermelon Association
NationFresh LLC
Nature Fresh Farms USA Inc
NatureSweet
Nebraska Cooperative Council
Nebraska State Dairy Association

New Mexico Farm & Livestock Bureau
New York Apple Association
New York Apple Sales, Inc.
New York Farm Bureau
New York Horticultural Society
New York State Flower Industries
New York State Maple Producers Association
New York State Nursery & Landscape Association
New York State Vegetable Growers Association
Nezperce Prairie Grass Growers Assn.
NoKota Packers, Inc.
North American Blueberry Council
North Bay Produce, Inc.
North Carolina Farm Bureau
North Carolina Potato Association
Northeast Dairy Producers Association
Northwest Ag Cooperative Council
Northwest Dairy Association/Darigold
Northwest Farm Credit Services
Northwest Horticultural Council
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Ole Tyme Produce
Olive Growers Council of California
Olson's Greenhouse Gardens, Inc.
Oneida-Madison Milk Producers Cooperative Association
Oregon Dairy Farmers Association
Pacific Coast Fruit Company
Pacific Trellis Fruit LLC
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Pennsylvania Apple Program
Pennsylvania Farm Bureau
Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association
Pennsylvania Vegetable Growers Association
Pierson Nurseries Inc.
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Premier ProduceOne
Pro Citrus Network, Inc.
Produce Alliance, LLC
Produce Pro Software
Professional Dairy Managers of Pennsylvania
Prosperous Boyles Tree Fruit Wine Orchard & Company
Ratto Bros. Inc.
Reiter Affiliated Companies
Rice Fruit Company
Rio Farms, LLC

S. Katzman Produce
Safe Food En Route, LLC
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Silmatoledo Farms
Smith's Farm
Smith's Farm Sales
South Dakota Dairy Producers
South East Dairy Farmers Association
South Mill Champs
Southeast Milk, Inc.
Southern Idaho Potato Cooperative, Inc.
Southern Specialties, Inc.
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SunFed
Sunmaid Growers of California
Sunrise Fresh Dried Fruit Co. of California
Sunrise Fresh LLC.
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SunTerra Produce
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Texas Citrus Mutual
Texas Farm Bureau
Texas International Produce Association
Texas Vegetable Association
The Oppenheimer Group
The Produce Moms
The Sanson Company
The SF Market
Tillamook County Creamery Association
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United Dairymen of Arizona
United Potato Growers of America
Upstate Niagara Cooperative, Inc.
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USA Rice
Utah Apple Marketing Board
Utah Farm Bureau

Utah Horticulture Society
Utah Tart Cherry Marketing Board
Valley Fig Growers
Virginia State Dairymen's Association
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Walters Farms
Wasatch Agriculture Advising
Washington Farm Bureau
Washington State Dairy Federation
Washington State Nursery & Landscape Association
Washington State Potato Commission
Washington State Tree Fruit Association
West Virginia Nursery & Landscape Association
Western States Dairy Producers Association
Westfalia Fruit USA
Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine
Wish Farms
World Wide Farms LLC
WP Rawl & Sons Inc.
Yuma Fresh Vegetable Association