

**ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT  
RESOLUTION No. 190**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
218th LEGISLATURE**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Recognizes 100th anniversary of NJ Farm Bureau.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION** recognizing the 100th anniversary of  
2 the New Jersey Farm Bureau.

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4 **WHEREAS**, Agriculture has been a key part of New Jersey's economy  
5 since the earliest Native American settlements, and served as the  
6 economic foundation for what would become the United States; and

7 **WHEREAS**, The importance of agriculture to the State is reflected the  
8 designation of the "Garden State" as the New Jersey State slogan;  
9 and

10 **WHEREAS**, The agriculture and food industry, valued in the billions of  
11 dollars, is vital to the State's economy; and

12 **WHEREAS**, The New Jersey Farm Bureau (NJFB) is a grassroots,  
13 members supported, non-governmental organization that represents  
14 12,000 farm families, affiliated agribusinesses, and supporters of  
15 agriculture for all types of agricultural production including equine,  
16 nursery, fruit and vegetable, field crops, apiary, wine growing,  
17 Christmas tree, forestry, and livestock; and

18 **WHEREAS**, In 1919, the NJFB was established as the New Jersey  
19 Council of County Boards of Agriculture; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Harry E. Taylor, of Monmouth County, the first elected  
21 president of the organization, was New Jersey's delegate to the first  
22 American Farm Bureau Federation meeting in November 1919; and

23 **WHEREAS**, In 1920, the organization changed its name to the New  
24 Jersey Federation of County Boards of Agriculture and opened its  
25 first office in Trenton; and

26 **WHEREAS**, On October 1, 1933, the name of the organization was  
27 officially changed to the New Jersey Farm Bureau; and

28 **WHEREAS**, The NJFB is the largest advocacy organization for  
29 agriculture in New Jersey, advocating at the local, county, State,  
30 federal, and international levels of government, to represent  
31 agricultural producers and enterprises of New Jersey; and

32 **WHEREAS**, The NJFB informs the public, agricultural producers, and  
33 enterprises of the latest regulatory and policy changes through  
34 meetings, publications, important action alerts, and the Internet; and

35 **WHEREAS**, The NJFB uses grants, initiatives, and partnerships to  
36 provide promotional materials to members that aid in consumer  
37 education, farmer training and education programs, and public  
38 education about the agriculture industry; and

39 **WHEREAS**, The NJFB plays an important role in the agricultural  
40 industry; now, therefore,

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42 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the General Assembly of the State of New  
43 Jersey (the Senate concurring):

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45 1. The Governor and the Legislature of the State of New Jersey  
46 recognize the 100th anniversary of the New Jersey Farm Bureau  
47 and commend the hard work of the New Jersey Farm Bureau in

1 promoting agriculture, and helping farm families and their affiliated  
2 agricultural businesses so effectively in the Garden State.

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4 2. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State,  
5 shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the General Assembly or the  
6 Secretary of the Senate to the Secretary of the New Jersey  
7 Department of Agriculture, the President of the New Jersey Farm  
8 Bureau, and the President of the New Jersey State Board of  
9 Agriculture.

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### STATEMENT

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