

June 7, 2023

Dear Members of the U.S. House of Representatives,

We write to express our strong support for S. 629 and H.R. 3653, bipartisan, bicameral legislation known as the UNITED Act, which we respectfully request you co-sponsor.

Introduced by Senators Chris Coons (D-Del.) and John Thune (R-S.D.) and Representatives Adrian Smith (R-NE) and Jim Himes (D-CT), the companion bills would grant the President, in consultation with Congress, the ability to seek a comprehensive trade agreement between the United States and the United Kingdom (U.K.).

As supporters of trade agreements that advance American strategic and economic interests, we see these bills as a tremendous opportunity. A comprehensive trade agreement with the U.K. would broaden the scope of exporting opportunities for American businesses, strengthen our supply chain resilience, and improve the well-being of our consumers. As organizations representing America's agriculture industry, we further believe this legislation would bring economic opportunities to American farmers, ranchers, and food producers. In particular, we look forward to working closely with you to not only secure passage of the UNITED Act, but to also advance and promote transparent, predictable, and science- and risk-based trade policies that yield substantive gains in U.S. agricultural market access to the UK in any ensuing negotiations resulting from this legislation.

Overall, we find that agricultural stakeholders, rural communities, and the American people at large would benefit from enactment of the UNITED Act and use of the authority it would provide. We celebrate the bipartisan leadership in Congress to strengthen our already close relationship with the U.K. and increase the prosperity of Americans.

Thank you for considering our views.

Sincerely,

AgTrade Strategies LLC  
American Bakers Association  
American Farm Bureau Federation  
American Fruit & Vegetable Processors and Growers Coalition  
American Seed Trade Association  
American Soybean Association  
Animal Health Institute  
At-sea Processors Association  
California Prune Board  
California Walnut Commission  
Cargill Incorporated  
Corn Refiners Association  
CropLife America  
Distilled Spirits Council of the U.S.  
Farmers for Free Trade  
FMI - the Food Industry Association

Fresh Produce Association of the Americas  
Global Cold Chain Alliance  
Independent Bakers Association  
International Dairy Foods Association  
International Fresh Produce Association  
Leather and Hide Council of America  
Meat Import Council of America  
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture  
National Association of Wheat Growers  
National Cattlemen's Beef Association  
National Chicken Council  
National Corn Growers Association  
National Council of Farmer Cooperatives  
National Fisheries Institute  
National Grain & Feed Association  
National Milk Producers Federation

National Pork Producers Council  
National Turkey Federation  
North American Meat Institute  
North American Millers' Association  
North American Renderers Association  
Northwest Horticultural Council  
Pacific Seafood Processors Association  
Pet Food Institute

Sweetener Users Association  
U.S. Apple Association  
U.S. Dairy Export Council  
U.S. Pea & Lentil Trade Association  
USA Dry Pea & Lentil Council  
USA Poultry & Egg Export Council  
USA Rice  
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