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NASDA's newly elected board of directors urge Congress to pass farm bill in 2024

INDIANAPOLIS – NASDA's newly appointed board of directors unanimously passed a [resolution](#) expressing support for the expeditious passage of a comprehensive, bi-partisan farm bill.

"America's farmers and ranchers provide the food, fiber, fuel and shelter that we all depend on every single day but they are subject to numerous and complex challenges that are out of their control," newly-elected NASDA President Wes Ward said. "Agriculture is national security and it is critical that Congress pass a new farm bill in 2024."

The resolution highlights the recent extreme weather events, elevated input and interest costs and supply chain disruptions farmers and ranchers continue to battle daily. It also focuses on the need to strengthen nutrition security across the U.S., and the farm bill's role in funding critical food and nutritional assistance programs and bolstering local and regional food systems for improved supply chain resilience.

Agricultural producers, the rural economy and communities of every size rely upon a forward-looking, and fully funded farm bill that provides a safety net for our farmers and ranchers while also protecting critical food and nutritional assistance for those who need it most. NASDA continues to ask Congress to pass a farm bill in 2024.

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