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The Honorable Glenn Thompson
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Speaker Johnson, Leader Jeffries, Leader Schumer, Leader McConnell, Chairman Thompson, Ranking Member Scott, Chairwoman Stabenow, Ranking Member Boozman:

Since the first Farm Bill was enacted over a century ago, Americans have relied on its stability for food, fuel, and feed. Our constituents are unconcerned with partisan politicking - they are worried about making it to the next crop year, staying in business, and feeding their families. As Members of the New Democrat Coalition, we write today on the importance of passing a strong, bipartisan Farm Bill before the end of 2024.

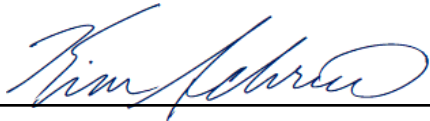
The Farm Bill provides crucial support to millions of Americans in rural communities and on family farms. Our farmers deserve policies that meet the needs of the farm economy without coming at the expense of our neighbors. It is imperative that we pass legislation to make sure we have a vibrant agricultural economy and a healthy nation.

Bipartisanship has been a key component to get a package signed into law with every modern Farm Bill. Proposals need to be crafted with an eye towards common sense solutions that meet the needs of farmers and their communities, not divisive, partisan policies that split the

bipartisan coalition in Congress who care deeply about seeing a bill signed into law. As New Dems, we are fully committed to working in a bipartisan fashion and finding a pragmatic path forward.

By building upon the existing efforts throughout this Congress, we believe that there is a way forward to get legislation to the President's desk before the end of the year. As leaders of the House and Senate Agriculture Committees Committee, we ask that you redouble your efforts to negotiate and find a path forward. We stand ready to support these efforts, and look forward to the eventual consideration by both chambers of a bipartisan package.

Sincerely,



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