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Introduction
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1.1 A Senate resolution

1.2 recognizing March 25 as Women in Agriculture Day.

1.3 **WHEREAS**, the State of Minnesota proudly recognizes that Minnesota farmers have always

1.4 fed not only our state, but the country and the world; and

1.5 **WHEREAS**, the 2017 census reported that in Minnesota 48 percent of farm operators and

1.6 30 percent of all farmers under the age of 35 are women; and

1.7 **WHEREAS**, in addition to farm operators, women are making a difference across Minnesota

1.8 in research and development, manufacturing, sales and distribution, agricultural education,

1.9 agribusiness, and advocacy, which extends benefits to individuals across the globe; and

1.10 **WHEREAS**, women who are instructors, leaders, and professionals in the agricultural field

1.11 deserve to be celebrated for their efforts in fostering the next generation of the agriculture workforce

1.12 by promoting STEM and agricultural education and entrepreneurial and community initiatives; and

1.13 **WHEREAS**, Minnesota recognizes the significant positive impact women in agriculture

1.14 have on food resources and the agricultural workforce; and

1.15 **WHEREAS**, Minnesota celebrates the old and new ways in which women's energy and

1.16 determination are helping to keep our agricultural system strong; and

1.17 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it

1.18 recognizes March 25 as Women in Agriculture Day.

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