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Expressing support for the designation of May 2026 as “National Beef Month” to recognize the important role cattle play in the United States, and to consumers.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 30, 2026

Mr. RICKETTS (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. MARSHALL, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mr. LANKFORD) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

RESOLUTION

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Whereas, in 2024, cattle production accounted for the largest share of cash receipts for agricultural commodities in the United States at \$112,100,000,000;

Whereas the United States is one of the top producers of beef in the world, accounting for 19 percent of global production;

Whereas the United States raises more than 86,200,000 head of cattle accounting for approximately 6 percent of the global cattle inventory;

Whereas the United States has the largest inventory of fed cattle in the world;

Whereas beef provides 25 grams of high-quality protein per 3-ounce serving; and

Whereas beef contains essential nutrients which help the body convert food into energy and support immune health and brain function, including—

- (1) iron, which helps with oxygen absorption;
- (2) choline, which supports nervous system development;
- (3) vitamins B6 and B12, which maintains brain function;
- (4) phosphorous, which builds bones and teeth;
- (5) zinc, which maintains immune system function;
- (6) niacin, which supports energy production and metabolism;
- (7) riboflavin, which converts food into energy; and
- (8) selenium, which promotes cell health: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved,*

2 That the Senate—

3 (1) supports the designation of May 2026 as
4 “National Beef Month”; and

5 (2) recognizes that—

6 (A) historically, cattle production has con-
7 tributed about 22 percent of the total cash re-
8 ceipts for agricultural commodities of the
9 United States;

1 (B) the United States is also the largest
2 consumer of beef in the world and primarily
3 consumes high-value, grain-fed beef; and

4 (C) beef is an excellent source of nutritious
5 protein.

