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Expressing the commitment of Congress to address the emergency that currently exists in American agriculture.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BERRY (for himself, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. FORD, and Mr. MINGE) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the commitment of Congress to address the emergency that currently exists in American agriculture.

Whereas the prosperity and security of the United States is dependent on our ability to domestically produce safe, affordable, and abundant agricultural commodities;

Whereas American farmers are the most productive ever, anywhere in the world;

Whereas a combination of factors has contributed to historically low commodity prices received by American farmers;

Whereas Congress has recently been forced to make emergency appropriations to address the crisis facing our farmers;

Whereas current price projections indicate that the crisis will continue through the 1999 crop year;

Whereas Congress has an obligation to protect the food and fiber security of America; and

Whereas the current budget restrictions and resulting appropriations for agriculture do not allow for adequate devotion of financial resources to properly address the crisis facing American agriculture: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That Congress—

3 (1) expresses its continuing commitment to
4 American farmers;

5 (2) recognizes the need to protect the food and
6 fiber security that the United States has historically
7 enjoyed;

8 (3) recognizes the need to provide adequate fi-
9 nancial resources to address the crisis devastating
10 rural America and American farmers; and

11 (4) recognizes that legislation providing for fu-
12 ture appropriations will likely be needed in the
13 106th Congress to address the emergency that cur-
14 rently exists in American agriculture.

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