

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss.
COUNTY OF CROWLEY)

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Crowley County, State of Colorado, held at the Crowley County Administration Building in Ordway, Colorado 81063 on Wednesday, the 10th day of March 2021, there were present:

Roy Elliott County Commissioner, Vice Chairman
Terry McMillian County Commissioner

When the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, to wit:

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RESOLUTION NO. _____
RECOGNIZING THE MANY PAST AND CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS OF
CROWLEY COUNTY CATTLEMEN AND OTHER LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS
AND SUPPORTING THE LOCAL RANCHING INDUSTRY

WHEREAS, the Governor of Colorado has proclaimed a boycott of meat products, referred to as a “MeatOut” - in order to promote meatless diets as promoted by the Farm Animal Rights Movement (FARM), to be observed by Coloradans on March 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, cattle and other livestock production has historically been, and continues to be, one of the key economic drivers in Crowley County; and

WHEREAS, Crowley County Cattleman and our ranching families are part of a \$3.4B state industry with a \$40B economic impact and accounts for 15% of the states total export sales; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Agriculture reports (2017) the annual sale value of Crowley County cattle, calves, poultry, and hogs exceeds \$94M ; and

WHEREAS employment in the agriculture sector and related industries provides jobs to over one-thousand Crowley County citizens, a very large number of which are involved in ranching and livestock production; and

WHEREAS, The 2020-2025 Dietary Guidelines issued by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration recognizes that a variety of animal and plant proteins is important to a healthy diet; and

WHEREAS, Crowley County is a declared “Right to Farm” county and has taken regulatory steps to protect our active farms and ranches; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado General Assembly is considering passage of Senate Bill 21 -079 which concerns deregulation of direct to customer meat sales in support of ranch to table private enterprise.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CROWLEY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CROWLEY COUNTY, COLORADO declares its support for our cattlemen and other livestock producers and proclaims March 20, 2021 as Crowley County Cattlemen’s Day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission express their concern that the Governor of Colorado would call for a boycott, even of one-day duration, of an industry that is key and essential to both our local and state economy; and

FINALLY, SHALL IT BE RESOLVED, that this Commission supports Senate Bill 21-079 concerning deregulation of direct to customer meat sales in support of ranch to table private enterprise and all other legislative actions that support strengthening Colorado agriculture.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of March, 2021.

Upon a Motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

ABSENT
Blaine Arbuthnot, Commissioner


Roy Elliott, Commissioner


Terry McMillian, Commissioner

ATTEST: MELINDA CARTER
COUNTY CLERK

SIGNATURE: 

