

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ SERIES OF 2021**

**RECOGNIZING THE MANY PAST AND CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS OF  
FREMONT CATTLEMEN’S ASSOCIATION, FREMONT CATTLEWOMEN’S  
ASSOCIATION, AND OTHER MEAT 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**, Beef and other meat production has historically been, and continues to be, one of the key economic drivers in Fremont County; and

**WHEREAS**, Fremont Cattlemen’s Association, the Fremont Cattlewomen’s Association and our ranching families are part of a \$3.4 billion state industry with a \$40 billion economic impact and accounts for 10 percent of the states total export sales; and

**WHEREAS**, Employment in the agriculture sector and related industries provides jobs to more than 1,400 Fremont County citizens, the majority of which are involved in ranching and livestock production; and

**WHEREAS**, Beef production is an abundant agricultural powerhouse with 38,900 farms spread across 31.8 million acres in Colorado, with our farmers and ranchers working tirelessly 365 days a year to produce commodities for both the state and the entire nation: 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**, Fremont County is a declared “Right to Farm and Ranch” 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 FREMONT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREMONT COUNTY, COLORADO** declares its support for our cattlemen and other meat producers and proclaims March 20, 2021 as Fremont 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, IT SHALL 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.

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolution with a second by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_.

Debbie Bell	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Dwayne McFall	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kevin Grantham	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT

The Resolution was declared to be duly adopted.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk to the Board