

RESOLUTION NO. 21-038

STATE OF COLORADO )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF KIT CARSON )

At a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for Kit Carson County, Colorado, held at the Court House in Burlington on Wednesday the 3rd day of March, 2021, there were present:

- David L. Hornung.....Chairman
- Stan Hitchcock ..... Commissioner
- Cory Wall ..... Commissioner
- Susan Corliss ..... County Clerk and Recorder
- Paula Weeks ..... County Administrator

when the following proceedings, among others, were had and done, following the motion to adopt Resolution 21-038 to-wit:

**RECOGNIZING THE MANY PAST AND CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS OF MEAT PRODUCERS  
IN KIT CARSON COUNTY  
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 Kit Carson County; and

**WHEREAS**, Kit Carson County Cattleman and our ranching families are part of a \$5.2B state industry with a \$40B economic impact and accounts for 11% of the states total export sales; and

**WHEREAS**, The U.S. Department of Agriculture reports (2017) the annual sale value of Kit Carson County cattle, calves, poultry, and hogs exceeds \$320M ; and

**WHEREAS** employment in the agriculture sector and related industries provides jobs to over one-thousand Kit Carson 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**, Kit Carson 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.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE KIT CARSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KIT CARSON COUNTY, COLORADO declares its support for our cattlemen and other livestock producers and proclaims March 20, 2021 as Kit Carson County Meat Producer'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 health; 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 3rd day of March, 2021 at Burlington, Colorado..

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

Motion made by Cory Wall, seconded by Stan Hitchcock, motion carried.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



David L. Hornung  
David L. Hornung, Chairman

Stan Hitchcock  
Stan Hitchcock, Commissioner

Cory Wall  
Cory Wall, Commissioner

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I, Susan Corliss, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the annexed and foregoing Resolution is truly copied from the Records of the Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of said Kit Carson County, now in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the County at Burlington, this 3rd day of March, 2021.

Attest:  
Susan Corliss  
Susan Corliss, County Clerk