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RE: Support for Pollinator Protection Habitat Act of 2007

CC: Original Cosponsors

Dear Senator Baucus and Senator Chambliss:

The undersigned support the Pollinator Protection Habitat Act of 2007 (S. 1496)

Your legislation utilizes existing Farm Bill conservation programs to strengthen both native and managed pollinator habitat by requiring existing conservation programs to acknowledge pollinator habitat as a conservation resource and rewarding producers whose conservation practices are beneficial for pollinators.

Pollinators are essential partners in much of agriculture and in healthy ecosystems. Strengthening farm bill conservation, research and other programs in the farm bill to better address pollinator habitat needs and best management practices represents a critical step in sustaining and enhancing pollinators and their habitat.

Thank you for your continuing leadership on behalf of pollinators and pollinator conservation.

Respectfully Submitted,

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American Farmland Trust
American Society of Agronomy
Audubon
Blue Diamond
Coevolution Institute
Crop Science Society of America
Defenders of Wildlife
Environmental Working Group
Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
National Council of Farmer Cooperatives
National Farmers Union
National Grange
National Sunflower Association
National Wildlife Federation
Partners for Sustainable Pollination
Soil Science Society of America
Sonoma County Democratic Party
Sunfield Seeds, Inc.
Sustainable Agriculture Coalition

The Ecological Society of America
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