

RESOLUTION # 31

100th ANNIVERSARY OF NEW JERSEY FARM BUREAU

1 **WHEREAS**, public policy, at every level of government, can have profound impacts
2 on the agricultural industry; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the demands of farm work leave little to no time for farmers to
4 individually attend sessions of the New Jersey Legislature or other governing bodies to make
5 their interests and opinions on issues known to those in government; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the time constraints of farming life make having a group of policy
7 experts who can advocate for farmers' positions on issues a vital need to the industry; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Farm Bureau has served the needs of the Garden
9 State's farmers for 100 years, both in presenting their positions on issues to lawmakers and
10 through educational and support services for the agricultural community; and

11 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey Farm Bureau also is heavily involved in public outreach, promoting
12 the industry to residents through media engagement and other methods, including its annual
13 surveys gauging public support for agriculture in New Jersey; and

14 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey Farm Bureau provides support to the New Jersey Department of
15 Agriculture and the Department's efforts to further the state's agricultural industry, which is a
16 key part of the \$110 billion food-and- agriculture complex, the third-largest sector of New
17 Jersey's economy.

18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the delegates to the 104th State
19 Agricultural Convention, assembled in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on February 6-7, 2019, do
20 hereby recognize the contributions of New Jersey Farm Bureau to the state's agricultural
21 industry and community.

22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that we do hereby encourage residents to recognize
23 the importance of this organization and its 100 years of service to agriculture and related
24 fields and to quality of life in the Garden State.