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United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:

The American Farm Bureau Federation supports swift confirmation of Judge Neil Gorsuch to the United States Supreme Court.

Supreme Court decisions affect farmers' and ranchers' ability to be productive. Important cases are expected to be coming up, and we need a full Supreme Court to provide for the full functioning of our third branch of government. Most important, we need a justice as qualified and dedicated as Judge Gorsuch.

Previously the Senate confirmed Judge Gorsuch for the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals without a single dissenting vote. Likewise today, there is no rational basis to oppose his confirmation. Tactics to block a vote on this nomination appear to be cynical tit-for-tat politics. The public deserves better.

The many challenges facing the nation are too important to continue with a vacant seat on the Supreme Court. AFBF urges you to vote in favor of confirming Judge Gorsuch and to oppose unnecessary delays.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Zippy Duvall".

Zippy Duvall
President