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## **NMPF Statement on House Agriculture Committee Vote on Goodlatte-Scott Dairy Amendment**

*From Jerry Kozak, President and CEO of NMPF, and Randy Mooney, Chairman of NMPF  
and dairy farmer from Rogersville, Missouri:*

"We commend those members of the House Agriculture Committee who today defeated an amendment to the 2012 Farm Bill that would have undone years of consensus-building and compromise among dairy farmers. The Goodlatte-Scott dairy amendment was defeated by a margin of 29-17.

"We appreciate the hard work devoted to this issue by the leaders of the committee, including Chairman Frank Lucas, Ranking member Collin Peterson, and other 29 dairy reform supporters on the agriculture committee, who clearly understood the hard work that has taken us to this point.

"We urge the committee to proceed with final approval of the 2012 Farm Bill this week, and will work to help assure passage of the measure in the full House of Representatives, and ultimately, obtain a new and better safety net program for America's dairy producers."

The National Milk Producers Federation, based in Arlington, VA, develops and carries out policies that advance the well-being of dairy producers and the cooperatives they own. The members of NMPF's 31 cooperatives produce the majority of the U.S. milk supply, making NMPF the voice of more than 32,000 dairy producers on Capitol Hill and with government agencies. Visit [www.nmpf.org](http://www.nmpf.org) for more information.