Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

October 21, 2025

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

America's cattle producers are among the most resilient and hardworking in the nation. They've endured droughts, blizzards, and volatile markets while continuing to raise safe, high-quality beef that feeds families across America and around the world. Their work is a source of immense pride to our districts and to the broader U.S. agriculture community. Collectively, the cattle industry supports thousands of jobs across our districts and contributes \$112 billion to rural economies nationwide.

In recent days, we have heard strong concerns from producers regarding reports that the U.S. may import beef from Argentina. While we recognize the importance of strong trade relationships and diverse markets, our producers are seeking clarity on how this decision will be made, what safety and inspection standards will apply, and how this policy aligns with your administration's commitment to strengthening American agriculture.

The United States maintains the gold standard for food safety and animal health. These safeguards are enforced daily by USDA inspectors and are a key reason consumers trust American beef. Any import policy must hold foreign suppliers to those same rigorous standards. Introducing beef from countries with inconsistent safety or inspection records could undermine the confidence that U.S. ranchers have worked decades to earn.

We respectfully request additional information on this matter and urge your administration to ensure that any future decisions are made with full transparency, sound science, and a firm commitment to the U.S. cattle industry. America's producers can compete with anyone in the world. If given an opportunity, they will continue to respond quickly to the market demand for more quality American beef in our grocery stores.

Thank you for your continued America-First leadership to fuel our home-grown businesses and products.

Sincerely,

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