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Nebraska Farmers Union Passes Six Special Orders of Business

LINCOLN (December 23, 2022) – At their 109th State Convention held earlier this month at the Marriott Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln, Nebraska Farmers Union (NeFU) passed six Special Orders of Business highlighting their organization’s priorities for the coming year.

NeFU President John Hansen said, “All six Special Orders of Business tie back to this year’s convention theme: **‘Building Rural Communities Since 1913.’** The mission of our organization is to improve the economic well-being and quality of life of family farmers, ranchers, and our rural communities.”

2022-2023 NeFU Special Orders of Business:

- Ag Market Reforms
- Shaping Climate Change Policies
- 2023 Farm Bill
- Net Metering
- Property Tax Relief
- Water Quality and Nutrient/Nitrate Policy

NeFU Vice President Vern Jantzen of Plymouth and NeFU Policy Chair said, “Our Legislative Delegates did a very thorough job of going through our policy on NeFU Policy Day before State Convention this year. They made good updates and edits. Also, our regular convention delegates were very thoughtful and deliberate as they considered the Policy Day recommendations. It was a pleasure working with so many well informed and thoughtful people. They take their responsibilities to set our grassroots driven state policy very seriously. That is the way our policy development process is supposed to work.”

“Our representative delegates have set our state policy and authorized our six Special Orders of Business reflecting our priorities for another year. It is a very forward looking policy that also reflects our long-standing values as the champions of our traditional system of independently owned and operated family farmer and rancher agriculture,” said NeFU President John Hansen.

“Now it is time for our Farmers Union members to get involved and help implement our policies and priorities at the state and national levels. The NeFU ‘can do’ spirit that organized hundreds of local cooperatives 109 years ago serves us well as we tackle ag market concentration, the need for a better Farm Bill, the need to update our state net metering law, our work on a more fair and balanced way to adequately fund our K-12 education system, and the emerging need to work with our neighbors and government officials to protect the quality of our state’s drinking water,” Hansen concluded.

Nebraska Farmers Union is a general farm organization with 3,841 farm and ranch family members dedicated to protecting and enhancing the economic well-being and quality of life for family farmers and ranchers, and their rural communities. Since 1913, Nebraska Farmers Union has helped organize over 445 cooperatives.

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Fighting for Nebraska’s family farmers and ranchers since 1913.