

2007 RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#1-Animal Identification

MOTION: Premise identification numbers should be a condition of sale and/or movement of swine. Breed registries should require premise identification as part of the registration process.

Action: Passed as amended

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#2-Mandatory National Animal ID System

MOTION: National Pork Producers Council continues to support a mandatory National Animal Identification System (NAIS) and urge USDA's support of such program as well as implementing the Pork Industry Identification Working Group and Swine Identification Implementation Task Force recommendations for implementation of NAIS.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#2A-Mandatory Premise Registration

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council will support a state oriented mandatory premise registration program that is compliant with the National Animal Identification System.

Action: Deemed moot based on PP #2

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#3-Comprehensive Animal Welfare Strategy

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council form a task force to develop comprehensive strategy to address animal welfare issues such as state ballot initiatives driven by animal rights organizations and legislation supported by these groups for the purpose of mandating animal care practices.

The National Pork Producers Council encourages all producer investors to participate in PQA PLUS when it becomes available.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#3A-Ballot Initiatives

MOTION: That the National Pork Producers Council evaluates the initiative petition process and paid signature gathering for such initiatives and work closely with partners to effectively address the issue. Furthermore, NPPC is strongly encouraged to explore the issue, build partnerships, make recommendations and take appropriate action.

Action: Deemed moot based on PP #3

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#3B-Pork Quality Assurance

MOTION: That NPPC, in cooperation with the NPB, develop a plan to aggressively enroll pork producers in the PQA Plus Program.

Action: Deemed moot based on PP #3

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#4-Availability of Corn for Feed

MOTION: National Pork Producers Council supports the results of recent studies conducted by CARD on the impact of ethanol and encourages their consideration in the 2007 Farm Bill.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#5-Fed. Funding for DDG's research

MOTION: The NPPC supports federal research funds for swine utilization of DDGS, impact of DDGS on meat quality and impacts on animal health.

Action: Passed as Amended

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#6-BioFuels By-Products

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council strongly encourages State Associations to provide dollars towards the research and support of how livestock can utilize by-products of ethanol and bio-diesel.

The National Pork Producers Council strongly encourage the National Pork Board to allocate significant funding for research efforts to increase the utilization of DDG S by swine and educational efforts to teach producers how to better utilize these products.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#7-Conservation Reserve Program

MOTION: National Pork Producers Council supports a targeted Conservation Reserve program (CRP) that maximizes environmental benefits and prohibits whole field enrollment. Whole field enrollment would be acceptable only if it meets criteria for surface water quality protection.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#8-Early Release of CRP Acres

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council support the early release and waiving of associated penalties for Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres at an incremental rate into production.

Action: Passed as amended

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#9-Elimination of Subsidies for Ethanol Production

MOTION: Be it resolved that the National Pork Producers Council support the sunset of the 51 cents/gal blenders tax credit and 54 cents/gal import tariff at the end of the current authorizations.

Action: Passed as amended

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#9A-Import Tariffs on Ethanol

MOTION: That the National Pork Producers Council support reduction of the Ethanol import tariff.

Action: Deemed moot based on PP#9

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#9B-Ethanol Blenders Credit System

MOTION: That the National Pork Producers Council support the development of a countercyclical blenders credit system dependent upon the price of oil.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#10-Expanded Bio-fuels Federal Mandates

MOTION: (Wording shown is resolution as amended)

That the National Pork Producers Council consider support for future for all cellulosic and other energy sources of biofuels.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#10A-Energy Costs

MOTION: That the National Pork Producer Council asks that USDA and Congress respond to how energy/feed credits and legislative mandates can be utilized to minimize the effect on the pork sector or the biomass encouraged expansion.

Action: Withdrawn

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#11-Ethanol Production and Increased Input Costs: Provide Producer Safety Net

MOTION: To ensure the economic competitiveness and survivability of the pork industry, be it resolved that the National Pork Producers Council investigate options such as a reverse LDP, provided such a program is compliant with WTO agreements; and/or a net income guarantee safety net program for possible inclusion in the 2007 Farm Bill.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#12-Bio-diesel Usage

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council should promote the increased use of bio-diesel as a renewable fuel source.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#13-Incentive for Methane Digestion

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council will seek and support incentives for capturing and digesting methane on swine farms to be utilized as an alternative energy source.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#14-Allocation of Feedstuffs

MOTION: Be it resolved that the National Pork Producers Council is not in favor of mandatory allocation of feedstuffs to the livestock industry unless the Secretary of Agriculture declares an emergency condition.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#15-EPA Dust Limits

MOTION: Be it resolved that the National Pork Producers Council works to exempt agriculture from EPA's particulate matter limits.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#16-Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council supports amending State Rule Chapter 7050.0170 (Natural Water Quality) to read as follows: Where background levels exceed applicable standards the designed beneficial uses and standards shall be re-determined and include a margin for error.

Action: Referred to committee

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP # 17-Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)

MOTION: National Pork Producers Council advocates calculating TMDLs that allow for growth.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#18-Changes to Farm Credit System

MOTION: That National Pork Producers Council will support regulatory and legislative changes that would provide agricultural producers, commercial fishermen, farm- and fishing- related and other rural businesses, rural homeowners, and others in rural America with broader access to financing by the cooperative Farm Credit System.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#19-Estate Tax Policy

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council will support legislative efforts to increase the per person estate tax exemption and to index that exemption for inflation, while also supporting continuation of stepped-up basis, with an overall objective of the elimination of the estate tax.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#20-State Inspected Meat Plans

MOTION: That National Pork Producers Council provide resources to help state inspected plants to meet federal guidelines.

Be it further resolved, that National Pork Producers Council support federal legislation that allows state inspected plants to ship interstate.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: PP#21 (Floor Resolution)

- Whereas, the proper care of livestock is essential to efficient and profitable pork production; and
- Whereas, the states of Arizona and Florida have passed ballot initiatives that ban the use of gestation stalls for pregnant pigs and the use of veal stalls; and
- Whereas, the use of stalls has been deemed appropriate by decades of farmer experience, as well as by university researchers and the nation's leading veterinarian association;
- Therefore, be it resolved that NPPC supports the usage of sound science to serve as the basis for developing standards for animal husbandry;
- Be it further resolved; NPPC opposes the use of ballot initiatives, and has concerns about marketing programs that appeal to emotion, rather than sound science.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: ST#1-Research Infra-Structure

MOTION: States and National Pork Producers Council work together to identify the issues and recommend ways of solving problems associated with State and Federal funding reductions of research.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: ST# 2-Feral Hogs

MOTION: National Pork Producers Council work with state and federal agencies to find ways to eliminate the threat of feral hogs to pork producers.

Action: Passed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: IMR#1-Moving World Pork Expo

MOTION: The National Pork Producers Council move the location of future World Pork Expos to different locations.

Action: Failed

RESOLUTION NUMBER: SO#1-Complimentary

MOTION: The investors and members of the great state of Nebraska ask that the delegates to the National Pork Producers Council Annual Meeting and the National Pork Industry Forum join us in thanking President Joy Philippi of Bruning, Nebraska for her tireless efforts and self-sacrificing gifts of time, knowledge, professionalism and passion to benefit the entire industry. Along with her perseverance and leadership talents that she has so generously given, her dedication and passion has not only been beneficial but contagious. She is an inspiration to her fellow producers, and her state association.
