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MEMORANDUM OF SUPPORT

Senate Bill 6101 (Senator Funke)

AN ACT IN RELATION TO AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF RUSH, COUNTY OF MONROE, TO USE CERTAIN PROPERTY FOR RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES AS WELL AS TO LEASE SUCH PROPERTY FOR AGRICULTURAL USE

Date: 5/22/2017

New York Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm advocacy organization, requests your support of this important legislation. If enacted, this bill authorizes the town of Rush, in Monroe County to use a specific parcel of land for recreational, educational, and agricultural purposes.

This piece of property was deeded to the Town of Rush in 2010, but with limited authorizations for its use. Since there is currently no location for the Monroe County Fair and there are horse barns already installed on this specific parcel of land, it would be a suitable location for the fairgrounds. Local fairs play a critical role in providing agricultural education for communities and communicating the importance of farming. This legislation would allow the land to be used for the Monroe County Fair. Also, it would permit the property to be used for agricultural production.

For these reasons, New York Farm Bureau respectfully requests your support of this legislation.