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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 10:30 a.m. Room 326 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Alexander, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Alexander, Meerman, LaFave, Eisen, Mueller, Wendzel, Coleman, Garza, C. A. Johnson, Witwer.

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Elder.

Representative Eisen made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on March 20, 2019. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair laid the presentation from the United Dairy Institute of Michigan before the committee.

Jolene Griffin, the Director of Industry Relations for the United Dairy Institute of Michigan, provided a presentation regarding family dairy farms in Michigan. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair laid the presentation from the National Farmers Organization before the committee.

Dick Byslma, the Director of Dairy Sales for the National Farmers Organization, provided a presentation regarding the National Farmers Organization, the challenges facing today's dairy farmers, and possible solutions to help solve various issues facing dairy farmers. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative LaFave made a motion to excuse all absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Representative Julie Alexander, Chair

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