

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

July 12, 2012

The Honorable John Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
H-232, the Capitol  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Eric Cantor  
Majority Leader  
H-329, the Capitol  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Boehner and Majority Leader Cantor:

I am writing to urge you to bring the bipartisan Farm Bill, which passed House Agriculture Committee last night, up for a vote in the full House next week.

Like millions of small businesses across the country, farmers need certainty and confidence to succeed. Agriculture and related industries account for one in six jobs in Iowa and contribute \$72 billion into the state's economy annually. Failure to quickly pass a Farm Bill will have a devastating impact on my constituents and the agricultural industry across the country.

Over the past month, I have held twelve Food, Farm and Jobs Bill listening sessions and I heard over and over the importance of passing a Farm Bill immediately. As you know, if a Farm Bill is not passed into law by September 30<sup>th</sup>, America's agricultural policy will revert to the outdated 1949 Farm Bill.

It is vital that we get a Farm Bill passed out of the House prior to the August recess.

Respectfully, bring the Farm Bill up for a vote next week. I stand prepared to work with you to accomplish this goal.

Sincerely,



Bruce Braley