## Testimony in Support of House Bill 1591 as it relates to the County Fair Resiliency Program.

Chairman Beltz and members of the House Agriculture Committee,

For the record my name is Jesse Jahner and I am the elected Sheriff in Cass County North Dakota. Thank you for accepting my written testimony in support of House Bill 1591.

The Cass County Sheriff's Office has had an excellent relationship with the Red River Valley Fair, Fair Staff and CEO Cody Cashman for many years. The Red River Valley Fair hosts several events year-round that benefit citizens and young adults in our community. They are very active with FFA, 4H and North Dakota State University Extension Office activities along with concert and summer fair events. The Cass County Sheriff's Office partners with the Red River Valley Fair to provide public safety at many of these events. In addition, the Red River Valley Fair allows area law enforcement to use parts of their grounds to conduct safety training. What I can tell you is that Red River Valley Staff are very good at developing community partnerships and work hand and glove with our agency to promote public safety.

I feel that providing these types of grants to entities like County Fairs is a great way to invest in community partnerships and community opportunities. Thank you.

Respectfully,

Jesse Jahner
Cass County Sheriff