

HB 1591 County Fair Resiliency Grant

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To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to put forth my testament of support to the HB 1591 County Fair Resiliency Grant as a 4-H parent, community member and veterinarian/small business owner in Ransom County. County fairs are where many kids develop a real world education in winning and losing, in sweat equity, the reward of growing their knowledge and responsibility, and where communities grow together. Without county fairs, there would be loss of tradition, loss of fun, loss of eating together during a free corn feed hosted by rodeo queens and princesses, loss of ability to achieve grass roots political reach, extension service education, small business advertisement, and of course the draw of the competition among community members in who has the best jam in the county! While I'm sure 4-H could find a way to survive without a county fair, it certainly is a cornerstone of it and the kids thrive on the community attention and the community thrives on the education provided by our kids promoting agriculture. I urge you to support this grant so county fairs continue to maintain the tradition and continuing memory for all generations.

Sincerely,

Dr. Charly Stansbery