

American Dairy Coalition: Congratulates Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture Chair Selectee Baldwin

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GREEN BAY, WIS., FEB. 17, 2021—The American Dairy Coalition wishes to congratulate the newly selected Chair of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, Senator Tammy Baldwin (D-WI).

Baldwin has repeatedly proven herself to be a friend and advocate of dairy producers. When serving on the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee, she sponsored and authored the Defending Against Imitations and Replacements of Yogurt, milk, and cheese to Promote Regular Intake of Dairy Everyday Act – or DAIRY PRIDE Act. This bill was a bipartisan effort calling for the Food and Drug Administration to enforce the law requiring imitation dairy products to be labeled properly.

“Dairy farmers in Wisconsin work tirelessly every day to ensure that their milk meets high standards for nutritional value and quality,” Baldwin stated. “Imitation products have gotten away with using dairy’s good name for their own benefit, which is against the law and must be enforced. Mislabeling of plant-based products as ‘milk’ hurts our dairy farmers. That’s why I’ve authored the DAIRY PRIDE Act to take a stand for Wisconsin farmers and the quality products they make.”

Baldwin has also proven herself an advocate for dairy producers by supporting keynote improvements to the 2018 Farm Bill’s and Bipartisan Budget Act’s financial dairy safety net. Notably, she also sponsored the FARMERS FIRST Act to reestablish the Department of Agriculture’s Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network.

“With her track record, the American Dairy Coalition sees the selection of Tammy Baldwin as very positive for dairy farmers from across the U.S. We look forward to

working within her new role and seeing the contributions she makes toward supporting the future of dairy,” said Laurie Fischer, CEO for the American Dairy Coalition.