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Senator John Hoeven, Chairman
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Senate Committee on Appropriations
129 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural
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Administration, and Related Agencies
Senate Committee on Appropriations
129 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Dear Chairman Hoeven and Ranking Member Shaheen:

The National Commodity Supplemental Food Program Association (NCSFPA) thanks you for retaining \$425 million for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) as part of the fiscal 2026 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill. We also thank you for your successful opposition to the Kennedy and Scott amendments which would respectively have reduced or eliminated CSFP funding.

We are also encouraged that the House Appropriations Committee has also approved \$425 million for CSFP.

We are concerned, however, that given changes in food costs and operating expenses that \$425 million may not be sufficient to maintain the current authorized caseload of 707,000 slots. We note that the 2024 caseload had been 731,845. The \$425 million provided for FY 2025 could only support the current authorized caseload of 707,000. We are sure that several states could expand their programs should sufficient resources be available.

We appreciate your past prioritization of this program. We stand ready to provide additional information should you need it.

Sincerely,

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