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RESOLUTION CONCERNING RESEARCH ON THE CONTROL OF SALMONELLAE IN
POULTRY

WHEREAS salmonella infections in man are of major public health concern and are frequently contracted from contaminated foods, and

WHEREAS poultry meat products can be an important source of food contamination, and

WHEREAS available information indicates that poultry flocks are frequently infected with salmonellae, and

WHEREAS greatly improved prevention and control of salmonellae in poultry is expected to require a very difficult and costly long term effort, and

WHEREAS there is a lack of proven, dependable economic methods for comprehensive control of salmonellae in commercial poultry production.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that additional Federal funds be made available for both extramural and intramural support of research on salmonellae to include: 1) a study of the current incidence of flock infection, 2) a study of the feasibility of producing salmonellae-free flocks by application of the best practical control methods throughout poultry growing operations, 3) laboratory and field research in other areas of the problem identified by technically competent advisors as of most urgent need.

Be it further resolved that the numerous industry and professional groups interested in improving control of salmonellae in poultry be appraised of these needs and their financial support and professional competencies be solicited to develop this information.

This resolution to be forwarded to:

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture
Chairmen, House and Senate Agriculture and
Appropriations Committees
ESCOP, ARPAC

American Feed Manufacturers Association
National Broiler Council
National Turkey Federation Research Advisory Committee
Poultry Breeders of America
Poultry and Egg Institute of America
President, U.S. Animal Health Association