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RESOLUTION CONCERNING SALMONELLA TYPING AND EPIDEMIOLOGY SERVICES

WHEREAS processing plants cannot produce salmonella free product if incoming flocks, herds and water life carry salmonella into the plant, and

WHEREAS available information indicates that poultry, livestock and environmental waters are frequently sources of salmonella, and

WHEREAS expanded research and voluntary monitoring are needed by industry and various policy-making bodies to improve and evaluate salmonella control activities, and

WHEREAS national advisory and professional committees are recommending expanded epidemiological studies to detect and elucidate epidemic patterns of salmonella in poultry and livestock growing operations and the environmental chain, and

WHEREAS prompt serotyping including sub-type and strain identification of representative isolates and efficient data retrieval for quarterly epidemiology reports are essential for expanded research, monitoring and epidemiological investigations, and

WHEREAS lack of federal funds precludes: (1) expanded salmonella field epidemiology, (2) expanded typing and identification services by VSL, Ames, (3) further implementation of an envisioned computerized data retrieval/quarterly epidemiology report system being developed cooperatively by AAAP, AAVLD and VSL, Ames.



THEREFORE, be it resolved that additional federal funds be made available to USDA to make provision for: (1) expanded salmonella field epidemiology service, (2) expanded centralized salmonella serotyping service including use of sub-type and strain identification techniques, such as phage, antiobiogram, and biochemical typing, (3) further development by USDA of computerized data retrieval/quarterly salmonella epidemiology reports.

Be it further resolved that the numerous industry and professional groups interested in the control of salmonella in poultry, livestock and the water environment be appraised of these needs and their financial support.

This resolution to be forwarded to:

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture  
Administrator, APHIS  
Chairmen, House and Senate Agriculture Appropriation Committees

American Feed Manufacturers Association  
American Meat Institute  
American National Cattlemen's Association  
Livestock Conservation Institute  
National Broiler Council  
National Fish Meal and Oil Association  
National Fisheries Institute  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
National Pork Producers Council  
National Renderers Association  
National Turkey Federation  
Northeastern Poultry Producers Council  
Poultry Breeders of America  
Poultry and Egg Institute of America  
President, U.S. Animal Health Association