



July 23, 2007

The Honorable Collin Peterson  
House Committee on Agriculture  
1301 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Bob Goodlatte  
House Committee on Agriculture  
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Dear Chairman Peterson and Ranking Member Goodlatte:

On behalf of the American Soybean Association (ASA), I would like to congratulate you on the unanimous approval by your Committee of H.R. 2419, the 2007 Farm Bill. This important legislation reauthorizes many programs of vital importance to U.S. soybean producers in the areas of farm policy, conservation, international trade, energy, and nutrition. It also includes key changes in current farm law sought by ASA: an improved farm income safety net for soybean farmers; an expanded bioenergy program to promote increased domestic production of biodiesel; and, authorization of a healthy oils production incentive program.

ASA strongly supports H.R. 2419, and urges Members of the House of Representatives to approve this bill as reported by your Committee, without amendment. We look forward to working with you to see the 2007 Farm Bill process completed this year. Thank you for your bipartisan leadership on behalf of American agriculture.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Hoffman". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

John Hoffman  
President

cc. Members, House Committee on Agriculture