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"To represent and serve Wyoming's livestock industry through protecting livestock health and verifying livestock ownership."

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RESOLUTION: THE WYOMING LIVESTOCK BOARD SUPPORTS

WYOMING CONTINUING TO DO BUSINESS AS USUAL WITH OTHER STATES

REGARDING ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION

WHEREAS, The State of Wyoming has been very diligent in keeping confidential the information that it collects for the purposes of livestock identification; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming State Statute 11-18-117 demands these records be kept confidential; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Wyoming State Legislature passed legislation providing that for the purpose of animal disease traceability, owners may choose to identify animals using any method set forth in 9CFR part 86 as adopted on January 9th, 2013 as well as any additional methods that are later approved by the Wyoming Livestock Board as official identification; and

WHEREAS, nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or amend the Brucellosis surveillance or testing program administered by the state;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Wyoming Livestock Board is in favor of The State of Wyoming entering into Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any states that are willing to continue business as usual under the current disease traceability system outlined in Wyoming law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Wyoming Livestock Board directs Director Steve True and Wyoming State Veterinarian Dr. Hallie Hasel to do the work necessary to implement MOUs with other states concerning Animal Identification for disease traceability.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Wyoming Livestock Board supports the Livestock Industry continuing to do business as usual having the freedom, right and liberty to use historically reliable, affordable, confidential and voluntary methods of livestock identification, including brands, backtags, tattoos, and ear tags.

Approved on: November 15, 2024

Steve True, Director Wyoming Livestock Board

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