

## Sample Labeling Resolution

### A Resolution to Preserve the Right for Producers to Label U.S. Products

Adopted by \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS** \_\_\_\_\_ County Commission is obligated to protect the health, safety and welfare of county residents; and

**WHEREAS** consumers of \_\_\_\_\_ County have the right to know the country of origin of food they consume; and

**WHEREAS** the \_\_\_\_\_ (type of commodity) producers of \_\_\_\_\_ County provide products of superior quality; and

**WHEREAS** the U.S. Congress has passed a law requiring country of origin labeling of food products; and

**WHEREAS** the U.S. country of origin labeling law states that meat products carrying a U.S. label of origin must be born, raised and processed in the U.S.; and

**WHEREAS** World Trade Organization (WTO) negotiations are proceeding that may jeopardize the enforcement of the federal country of origin labeling law.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the \_\_\_\_\_ County Commissioners strongly urge the U.S. Trade Representative not to enter into any trade agreement that undermines the U.S. country of origin labeling law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any proposed trade agreement affecting country of origin labeling be made public to enable the \_\_\_\_\_ County Commissioners and resident to assess the impacts to the local economy and food sovereignty.

