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MEMORANDUM OF SUPPORT

Senate Bill 5549-C (Senator Griffo) / Assembly Bill 7275-C (Assemblymember Jenne)

AN ACT IN RELATION TO MAINTAINING THE CONTINUED VIABILITY OF THE STATE'S EXISTING LARGE-SCALE, RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES

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New York Farm Bureau, the state's largest agricultural advocacy organization, would like to express its support for this legislation. This bill provides compensation for the clean energy qualities of legacy large-scale renewable generators.

Currently, farmers who own and operate legacy large-scale renewable generators, such as anaerobic digesters generating systems (ADGS), do not receive tradeable renewable energy credits (RECs). This legislation would address that problem and allow these renewable generators to qualify for RECs. By making these credits available, farmers will be encouraged to maintain and operate their ADGS. It is important to support the investment in these systems which significantly contribute to the renewable energy goals of New York State.

For these reasons, New York Farm Bureau respectfully requests your support of this legislation.