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Dear SBARE Members:

I am writing in support of County Extension Services, Cavalier County in particular. It is more convenient to have face to face contact with extension specialists rather than merely having a digital presence.

Farmers rely on the extension agent to answer questions in the office. These local agents understand the terrain, soils and weather conditions in the area and can give advice tailored to our region.

Our agents have a strong youth presence both in 4-H and in the schools. Their work in the schools does not duplicate what is already taught, but gives health and nutrition education not taught in the regular classroom.

In addition, agents partner with community organizations like the arts council, public health and senior services. Again, this is not duplication. Partnering with local groups makes our community stronger with an improved quality of life and a makes our small rural community a more attractive place to live.

Sincerely,

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