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119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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Supporting the designation of the week of August 2 through August 8,
2026, as “National Farmers Market Week”.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. VALADAO submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

RESOLUTION

Supporting the designation of the week of August 2 through
August 8, 2026, as “National Farmers Market Week”.

Whereas farmers markets accounted for \$1,700,000,000 in
income for farmers of the United States in 2020, dem-
onstrating the crucial role of farmers markets in local
economies;

Whereas, according to the Agricultural Marketing Service of
the Department of Agriculture, the number of farmers
markets in the United States rose from 1,755 in 1994
to 8,771 in 2019, an average growth of nearly 7 percent
per year;

Whereas farmers markets serve as significant educational
sites and as bridges between urban and rural commu-

nities, contributing to a better public understanding of farming and ranching;

Whereas the adoption of more sustainable farming practices is closely associated with farmer-to-consumer interactions facilitated by farmers markets;

Whereas farmers markets and direct marketing farmers help improve the health and wellness of low-income people in the United States who receive Federal nutrition benefits; and

Whereas National Farmers Market Week is a time to recognize the unique and indispensable role farmers markets play in supporting food access, bolstering local economies, promoting healthy communities, and fostering sustainable farming: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) supports the designation of “National
- 3 Farmers Market Week”; and
- 4 (2) recognizes the vital role that farmers mar-
- 5 kets play in bringing communities together and in
- 6 supporting the livelihoods of millions of people in the
- 7 United States, from farmers and food producers to
- 8 consumers.