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## **Governor Sanders Declares May as Arkansas Beef Month, Arkansas Egg Month, and Arkansas Strawberry Month**

**LITTLE ROCK, AR** – On May 1, Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders joined agriculture leaders and industry partners in declaring May as Arkansas Beef Month, Arkansas Egg Month, and Arkansas Strawberry Month. The proclamations highlight the state’s beef, egg, and strawberry industries and the value they contribute to Arkansas’s economy. View the proclamations at [agriculture.arkansas.gov/arkansas-department-of-agriculture-resources/](http://agriculture.arkansas.gov/arkansas-department-of-agriculture-resources/).

“We are so proud that agriculture is our state’s largest industry and our biggest revenue producer, bringing in over \$21 billion each year. We don’t just love agriculture so much because of what it does financially for our state, but because it’s a big part of who we are and our way of life,” said Governor Sanders. “We’re excited that we get to celebrate our beef, egg, and strawberry producers and thank them for all they do for our state.”

“Beef, egg, and strawberry production in Arkansas are great examples of why agriculture is our state’s largest industry, with beef, egg, and strawberry production contributing over \$1.4 billion to the state’s economy last year,” said Arkansas Secretary of Agriculture Wes Ward. “This month is the perfect time to recognize these industries and the dedicated producers who work hard to maintain Arkansas as a national leader in agriculture.”

More than 200 agriculture industry stakeholders and partners attended the event. Special appreciation goes to the Arkansas Cattlemen’s Association, Cal-Maine, Mid-States Specialty Eggs, and Natural State Beef for providing lunch; Milford Track restaurant for preparing dessert made with strawberries from Holland Bottom Farm; Barnhill Orchards for supplying fresh strawberries; Calico Trailers for providing the backdrop for the event; and the Arkansas Beef Council and the Department’s Egg and Poultry Section for sponsoring the event.

Photographs from this event can be found at [flic.kr/s/aHBqjBoBDS](https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBoBDS).

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