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## **Submitted by National DHIA Board**

## PREMISES AND ANIMAL ID RESOLUTION

Whereas the NDHIA organization represents 27,000 dairy producers, 4.2 million cows, and an extensive DHIA field service system,

Be it resolved that the delegates to the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of NDHIA support:

- The US Animal Identification Plan (USAIP) as the program of choice for the premises and animal identification of the US animal agriculture industry;
- The need for mandatory premises and animal ID to safeguard the national dairy herd;
- A phased-in system of premises and animal ID as developed by the USAIP plan;
- Confidentiality of data to ensure only appropriate data and data access for the purpose of animal traceback in the US animal herd;
- Cooperation with industry partners, particularly Holstein USA, in an initial project whereby the DHIA system will collect premises and animal ID data through the DHIA field service system to be entered into the National FAIR database, whereby implementing USAIP.