

**Resolution No. 21-04**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR CUSTER COUNTY SUPPORTING THE LOCAL RANCHING INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTY AND DECLARING MARCH 20, 2021, TO BE CATTLEMEN'S DAY**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Colorado has proclaimed a boycott of meat products—which he has referred to as a “MeatOut”—in order to promote meatless diets, and he has designated the date of March 20, 2021, to be observed as “MeatOut Day”; and

**WHEREAS**, cattle and other livestock production has historically been, and continues to be, one of the key economic drivers in Custer County; and

**WHEREAS**, Custer County cattlemen and our ranching families are part of a \$3.4 billion state industry with a \$40 billion economic impact that accounts for ten percent of the total export sales of the State of Colorado; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 170,000 residents of Colorado and Custer County depend on the vitality of the cattle and livestock production industry for their economic well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor’s action in urging the citizens of this state to eat less meat because it is bad for their health perpetuates a falsehood, is irresponsible, and is a “slap in the face” to the thousands of ranching families around the state.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners for Custer County declares its support for the cattlemen and other livestock producers and proclaims March 20, 2021, to be Custer County Cattlemen’s Day to honor the heritage of the ranching industry and the enormous contribution it has made to the economy of this County.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of Custer County expresses its strong disapproval of the Governor’s decision to call for a boycott, even of one-day duration, of an industry that is key and essential to our local economy and to the economy of the State of Colorado.

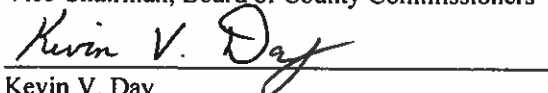
Done this 3<sup>RD</sup> day of MARCH, 2021.



William R. Canda  
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners



Tommy G. Flower  
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Kevin V. Day  
County Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Kelley S. Camper, Clerk and Recorder for Custer County

