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KAP Sets Policy at General Council

Winnipeg – Keystone Agricultural Producers (KAP) delegates from across the province met in Portage la Prairie on October 27 to learn more about emerging issues in agriculture, and to set direction for the organization. The following resolutions were passed and are now KAP policy:

BUSINESS RISK MANAGEMENT

Bridging Generations Initiative Program Management Training Credits

THAT KAP negotiate with Manitoba Agricultural Services Corporation to approve Bridging Generations Initiative Program Management Training Credits for young farmers who actively participate as directors of Keystone Agricultural Producers and/or other approved farm organizations.

GRAINS, OILSEEDS AND PULSES

Mandatory Check-off for Research and Industry Support

THAT KAP support a mandatory check-off for all sales of wheat and barley to fund the Western Grains Research Foundation, the Canadian International Grains Institute, and the Canadian Malting Barley Technical Centre.

LIVESTOCK AND TRACEABILITY

Producer Payment Security

THAT KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba and the Government of Canada to review property ownership laws to ensure that primary producers are the first creditor to be paid in the event of default or bankruptcy of a purchasing agent; further,

THAT KAP lobby the Government of Manitoba and the Government of Canada to ensure that financial institutions and other creditors can not file their proof of claim form without proving that creditors who are primary producers have been paid in full.

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Keystone Agricultural Producers is Manitoba's largest general farm policy organization, representing over 7,000 farm families and 22 commodity groups throughout the province. Our strength is our democratic structure, and our mission is to represent and promote the interests of the province's farm families.