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## **TAD OFFERS THANKS TO PRODUCERS, CONSUMERS DURING NATIONAL DAIRY MONTH**

In recognition of June as National Dairy Month, the Texas Association of Dairymen issued the following statement – media are welcome to use any or all of the quotes in news stories. Quotes should be attributed to Darren Turley, executive director of TAD:

“In Texas, 442 dairy farms work 24/7 to produce about 107 million gallons of milk, filling more than 17,800 milk tankers, each month – not just during National Dairy Month. But June is a dedicated time to recognize the contributions of dairy farmers who feed our communities, state and nation; create jobs; go to great lengths to protect our environment; and contribute to local and state economies.

“In addition, National Dairy Month is an opportunity for the dairy industry to recognize our communities and the consumers who keep our farms in business.

“Our communities help keep our farms running by servicing equipment, lending money, delivering feed and offering a helping hand when we need it. Farm communities really are one big family.

“Dairy farmers also appreciate consumers who enjoy our healthy, wholesome milk and milk products such as ice cream, yogurt and cheese. They may not know much about how the jug of milk gets to the store shelves or understand the struggles involved in farming. But dairy farmers certainly appreciate them.

“The Texas Association of Dairymen thanks these dedicated dairy farmers, their supportive communities and those who continue to enjoy dairy products – not just during National Dairy Month, but every day of the year.”

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*Darren Turley is the executive director of the Texas Association of Dairymen, Inc. TAD can be found at [www.milk4texas.org](http://www.milk4texas.org) or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/texasdairy](http://www.facebook.com/texasdairy).*

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