

**RESOLUTION #2**  
**COMMODITY CHECKOFF COMPENSATION**

WHEREAS North Dakota grain elevators collect checkoffs on 13 different commodities and remit those to seven different commodity promotion agencies on a quarterly basis; and

WHEREAS this process is time-consuming and there presently is no compensation for this work ; and

WHEREAS legislation opening state statutes for all commodity groups is now being considered; and

WHEREAS retailers collecting sales tax are allowed to retain a small portion to cover their administrative expenses; and

THEREFORE the North Dakota Grain Dealers Association requests commodity groups provide compensation to grain elevators, designated handlers, or first purchasers, however defined in law, to cover administrative expenses.