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American Agri-Women Honors South Dakota Governor Kristi Noem with the Champion of Agriculture Award

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The American Agri-Women (AAW) proudly presented South Dakota Governor Kristi Noem with the "Champion of Agriculture Award" at their recent convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

The AAW "Champion of Agriculture Award" was initiated in 2010 to recognize members of Congress who have displayed exemplary courage in presenting and supporting legislation that promotes American agriculture, rural American lifestyles, and the United States Constitution.

"Governor Noem was an easy choice to be recognized with our Champion of Agriculture Award," said AAW President Karolyn Zurn, "She works tirelessly each and every day to protect personal property rights and promote and advance agriculture and agricultural markets."



The Champion of Agriculture Award plaque to be given to Governor Kristi Noem is being held by (left to right) Leslie Bush, Black Hills Women in Timber Vice President, Karolyn Zurn, American Agri-Women (AAW) Past President and Drusilla Kellogg, Black Hills Women in Timber President.

Agriculture is the number one industry in South Dakota, and Governor Kristi Noem understands the business and challenges as a lifelong farmer and rancher. She promotes smart policy and works to protect the tradition of agriculture for our future.

Governor Noem was nominated for the "Champion of Agriculture Award" by the Black Hills Women in Timber.

About American Agri-Women

American Agri-Women (AAW) promotes the welfare of our national security through a safe and reliable food, fiber and energy supply. Since 1974, AAW members have worked together to educate consumers, advocate for agriculture, and offer networking and professional development opportunities. Go to the AAW web site for more information and to join, www.americanagriwomen.org. Find AAW on social

media at: <u>Facebook.com/AgriWomen</u>, <u>Twitter.com/Women4Aq</u> (<u>@Women4Aq</u>) and <u>Instagram.com/americanagriwomen</u> (<u>@americanagriwomen</u>). #women4ag #agriwomen #standupspeakout4ag

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