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The Kentucky Congressional Delegation
c/o Agricultural Committee Staff

Dear US Congressmen and dedicated staff,

The Kentucky Woodland Owners Association, KWOA, Board of Directors and Officers have gone on record in support of and are unanimous in our endorsement of the Forest Conservation Easement Program (FCEP). **This legislation is designed to provide landowners with viable options for keeping their woodlands privately owned and functioning as working forests through conservation easement options.** Kentucky’s forests provide significant economic, environmental, and societal benefits that are increasingly at risk.

The program is currently introduced in the Senate as S2631 (referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry and its Subcommittee on Conservation, Climate, Forestry, and Natural Resources) and in the House as H.R.3424. **There has been strong bipartisan support.**

We urge Kentucky’s distinguished US Congressional Senators and Representatives to support mandatory funding /cosponsor the FCEP with their colleagues. We would be delighted to meet with the (Senator/ Representative) and/or their staff to express our strong support for this legislation that will preserve our nations much needed forests.

Respectfully submitted,

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