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Farm Rescue Names Nate Clark as New Executive Director

Organization builds upon its greatest strength – its people – by adding nonprofit veteran

HORACE, N.D., May 8, 2024 - Farm Rescue, a nonprofit organization that provides free planting, haying, harvesting, commodity hauling and livestock feeding assistance to farm families who have experienced a major illness, injury or natural disaster, has named Nate Clark as its incoming Executive Director.

"Farm Rescue's greatest source of strength in serving farm families has always been our people," said Bill Gross, Founder & President, Farm Rescue. "To accomplish our work, we depend upon exceptional staff, tireless volunteers, and generous supporters. Nate Clark builds upon this strength through his philanthropic expertise, industry knowledge, and proven commitment to the dignity of farm families and rural communities."

Clark joins Farm Rescue after a 20-year career at John Deere, which culminated in his roles as the company's Global Director of Corporate Social Responsibility and President of the John Deere Foundation. Under his leadership, John Deere earned its first-ever recognition through The Civic 50 as one of the 50 most community-minded companies in America. Clark also designed the John Deere Foundation's strategy to invest at least \$200 million from 2021 through 2030.

"Farm Rescue embodies one of the strongest values found in agricultural communities across the country – the commitment to lend a hand to someone in need," said Clark. "Inspired by this shared value, Farm Rescue's staff, volunteers, and supporters have created a vital lifeline for farm families facing crises that threaten their wellbeing and very existence. I am privileged to join this extraordinary group."

Farm Rescue Sr. Development Officer, Tim Sullivan, has served diligently as the organization's Executive Director throughout the past two years. With the addition of Clark, Sullivan will continue growing support for the nonprofit through business sponsorships, individual donations and grant funding as leader of Farm Rescue's development team.

"Nate Clark brings a wealth of philanthropic experience to help lead Farm Rescue's mission and take our efforts to the next level," said Tim Sullivan, Sr. Development Officer, Farm Rescue. "This is an exciting time for our organization under new leadership."

Clark will officially begin his role as Farm Rescue's Executive Director in mid-June, 2024, but has already provided support and expertise to several administrative projects in a volunteer capacity.

About Farm Rescue

Farm Rescue was founded in 2005 and has helped more than 1,000 families since its inception. The organization's mission is to help farmers and ranchers who have experienced a major illness, injury, or natural disaster by providing the necessary equipment and volunteer labor to perform time-sensitive services. Applications for assistance are currently being accepted and can be obtained at www.farmrescue.org or by calling 701-252-2017.

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