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## John J. Bonacic

## Senator John Bonacic Receives "Circle of Friends" Distinction From New York Farm Bureau

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Award recognizes the Senator's support of New York State agriculture

Middletown, NY – Senator John J. Bonacic was recently named to the New York Farm Bureau's "Circle of Friends" roster of lawmakers who support New York agriculture and the Farm Bureau.



"Senator Bonacic was chosen for his commitment to the hard working farm families in New York. He has demonstrated that he understands the importance of agriculture in his legislative district, and how farming significantly impacts the economy of this great state," said Dean Norton, President of New York Farm Bureau. "Probably one of the hardest and most vital occupations in the state of New York is farming," said Senator Bonacic. "Farmers face many challenges such as mother nature, rising costs, and higher taxes. It's very difficult for farms to stay viable. In 2014, we introduced programs like Young Farmers NY, which provides education, tax relief and other support and incentives to encourage our young people to stay involved in agriculture. I am proud to have been recognized by the New York Farm Bureau this year, as well as in the past, and will continue to fight for our farmers in the 2015 legislative session."

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