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The Honourable Scott Moe, Premier of Saskatchewan  
226 Legislative Building  
Regina, SK S4S 0B3

**Re: DECLARATION OF AGRICULTURAL DISASTER**

Dear Premier,

The Rural Municipality of Milton No. 292 has declared an agricultural disaster. Please see the resolution below, passed on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**AGRICULTURAL DISASTER AREA**

**2023-243**      **LARRY STASIUK** – That the Rural Municipality of Milton No. 292 be declared an agricultural disaster area due to drought conditions and the large grasshopper population in the area.

**CARRIED**

The severe lack of moisture has caused significant challenges for our municipality's crop and livestock producers. Many crops are considered failures. Harvesting forage and keeping cattle in pastures containing water is proving to be challenging. The significant grasshopper population in our area is also a substantial hardship on our producers.

The council for the RM of Milton No. 292 requests that existing programs be significantly improved and emergency-based program funding be made available to agriculture producers in these very stressful circumstances.

Sincerely,

Robin Busby  
Administrator

cc: The Honourable David Marit, Minister of Agriculture  
The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture & Agrifood Canada  
Mr. Jeremy Patzer, M.P. for Cypress Hills - Grasslands  
Mr. Ken Francis, M.L.A. for Kindersley  
Jay Meyer, Executive Director, Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities  
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