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**CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS AND SEALERS
ASSOCIATION CONGRATULATES SENATOR DEBBIE STABENOW ON HER
ELECTION TO THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE
U.S. SENATE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE**

San Diego, California – December 1, 2010. The California Agricultural Commissioners and Sealers Association (CACASA) congratulates Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) as the next Chair of the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee.

“Michigan’s agriculture industry is similar to California in the diversity of crops grown as well as the unique challenges we face on issues such as pest and disease management. Given Senator Stabenow’s in-depth knowledge of the diversity of issues in U.S. food and fiber systems makes her an excellent choice to Chair the U.S. Senate Agriculture Committee,” said CACASA President Robert Atkins.

Senator Stabenow worked closely with California’s Senators Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer to include provisions in the 2008 Farm Bill that were vital to the specialty crop industry. Their continued leadership will be needed as the Farm Bill provisions are set to expire at the end of September 2012.

CACASA looks forward to working with Senator Stabenow and her colleagues on the Senate Agriculture Committee in the 112th Congress to ensure a safe, healthy and vibrant U.S. food system.