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NORM BERG COLLECTION

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Norm Berg has devoted his life to the conservation of land and water—not only in this country but all over the world. He has helped thousands of farmers and government officials protect and improve their nation’s agricultural resources.

In 1979, I appointed Norm Chief of the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Soil Conservation Service. He was the right man for the job. For more than 35 years he had worked in the SCS meeting with and listening to farmers and giving them options on how to save their land.

It was Chief Berg’s personal approach and his meticulous attention to land use issues which helped to inspire the National Agricultural Lands Study that I commissioned during my Presidency.

Thank you, Norm Berg, from one farmer to another, for 50 years of distinguished service to the protection of our precious Earth.

Not only has Norm Berg done his own job superbly, but he has been an inspiration to many others. For instance, when I was working on the Alaska Lands Bill, Norm Berg gave us advice and support among the friends who admired him and trusted his advice. This included members of the Congress, House and Senate, who at times were reluctant to support this very controversial and major legislation that added more than 100 million acres to our National Park Service.

Norm we are very grateful to you for this and all your other contributions to our nation.