

December 11, 2020

Dear Members,

RE: National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Council Board Director Appointment

The National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare (NFAHW) Council is pleased to announce that Dr. Marina von Keyserlingk was acclaimed as the new Director on the NFAHW Council Board.

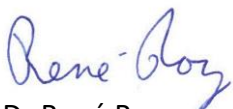
Dr Marina (Nina) von Keyserlingk is a professor in the Animal Welfare Program, Faculty of Land and Food Systems, University of British Columbia. She has also been a Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council Industrial Research Chair in Animal Welfare since 2008. Her interdisciplinary approach has focused on identifying measures and ways of improving the lives of farm animals under our care. She is also among the first in her field to combine experimental and qualitative methods when addressing farm animal welfare issues and is one of the most highly cited animal welfare scientists in the world, having published over 260 peer reviewed publications. She is recognized as a leader in Animal Welfare.

In addition to her academic accomplishments, Dr von Keyserlingk is a passionate and gifted speaker who is in high demand around the world - speaking to animal industry organizations, government, academic and the general public on farm animal welfare. She is also highly sought after as a scientific advisor and has sat on a number of advisory boards around the world. Her work has contributed significantly to the development of farm animal welfare standards nationally and internationally and she is recognized as a global leader in animal welfare.

The Council would like to take this opportunity to welcome Dr. von Keyserlingk to the Council and we look forward to working with her.

We would like to thank Dr. David Fraser, our outgoing Director, for his exemplary service to the NFAHW Council. Dr. Fraser has been an enthusiastic member of the National Farmed Animal Health and Welfare Council since October 2010. During his time on Council, he has served as the Chair for the NFAHW Council Animal Welfare Committee and provided valued leadership, expertise and guidance to the Committee as well as the Council. We wish Dr. Fraser all the best in his future endeavors.

Sincerely,



Dr René Roy
NFAHW Council Co-Chair

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