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## Hultgren Named a Friend of Agriculture, Champion of Graduated Driver Licensing



October 15, 2012

GENEVA, IL— Congressman Randy Hultgren (IL-14) was named a Friend of Agriculture by the Illinois Farm Bureau Tuesday for his exceptional voting record on Illinois Farm Bureau federal priority issues in the current session of Congress.

As a member of the Agriculture Committee, Hultgren helped write the House version of the farm bill that won bipartisan support. The bill would enhance risk management programs for farmers while cutting \$35 billion from the federal deficit over the next decade. Hultgren also voted for trade agreements with South Korea, Colombia and Panama that will boost U.S. agricultural exports by \$2.5 billion per year and opposed excessive regulations on farm dust and pesticide applications. [Read more.](#)

October 17, 2012

SUGAR GROVE, IL— Congressman Randy Hultgren (IL-14) has been named a 2012 Graduated Driver Licensing Champion award by State Farm to recognize his long-time support and leadership on teen driving safety.

Hultgren is the first federal legislator to receive this prestigious award. Twenty five state legislators have been recognized for their work on strengthened graduated driver licensing (GDL) laws since 2008.

The Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2012, Part II (H.R. 4348), included a grant program to encourage states to adopt enhanced GDL laws. GDL laws help strengthen the driving skills of eligible teenagers, introducing driving privileges to young novice drivers over time, providing opportunities to gain valuable behind-the-wheel experience and develop important driving skills in lower-risk conditions. [Read more.](#)



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