## Thanks to our Hero's!

The smoke has cleared, and the debris is being cleared, but the gratitude we feel for all those that responded to our barn fire remains. We know that without all of you working together in such amazing collaboration every barn would have been lost. On the most horrific night of our lives, we watched as firefighters from nine different towns, supported by all the volunteer firefighters, worked together as one team in a professional and coordinated attempt to save our barns and most importantly the pigs that were in them. You have all heard of what was lost in terms of the pigs, but what was saved is equally as important, we had 2000 bred sows in the adjoining barn that was saved by your efforts. They were moved out over the course of two weeks after the fire to another barn, with the first group farrowing two days after the fire. This was a victory for us and for our staff as we felt that all was not lost that night. It has allowed us to keep our staff employed so their livelihood is not impacted.

We have inquired and were told that no firefighters were seriously hurt and for that we are eternally grateful!

Our world changed on the night of May 16, 2021 but our faith, the kindness of neighbors and friends, the dedication of citizen-servants who put themselves in harms way to help their neighbors and communities is what makes the hard days a little easier.

Sincerely,

Peter and Annette Zimmerman

Paul and Andrea Zimmerman

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Woodville Pork Owners and Team