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Additional quotes that can be used with Water for Food news release:

Keith Olsen, president of the Nebraska Farm Bureau: "Anyone involved in agriculture understands how important water is to Nebraska and appreciates how strategic water management can help ensure adequate food production to meet growing global demands. I am very excited about building on the success we've had with the University's Water Center, and it's even more exciting that Nebraska will be the leader of this new institute designed to meet global challenges in food production."

Prem Paul, vice chancellor for research and economic development, University of Nebraska-Lincoln: "The global Water for Food Institute is a mega-vision to address the critical food security issue of growing more food with less water through research partnerships with experts and institutions around the world. The sharing of best practices and innovation fostered by these partnerships will help both Nebraska food producers and those in developed and developing countries worldwide. We are grateful to the Robert B. Daugherty Foundation for the generous gift that will help us to realize this vision."

Harvey Perlman, chancellor, UNL: "We have been surprised with the positive reaction around the world to a proposed institute of this type and the global understanding that it should be at the University of Nebraska. This generous gift allows us to make an important contribution to the world and to directly benefit Nebraska as well."

John Owens, NU Vice President and Harlan Vice Chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at UNL "The Water for Food Institute will provide new knowledge and education of huge importance to Nebraska, a powerhouse agricultural state, as well as to our world. Best management practices for water resources, guided by accurate information for policy decisions, are key factors for the future of our planet. This gift will foster important work of great value for farmers and ranchers, and the world they help feed."