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**Josh Miller, Madison County**

Josh Miller farms full-time with Richard Smith Farms, Inc., in Madison County in addition to operating a seed dealership. Miller is the fifth generation to work his farm near Anderson, Ind. He lives there with his wife, Jennifer, who is a veterinarian for Elanco Animal Health, and their three children. The farm produces corn and soybeans.

President of the Indiana Corn Marketing Council, Miller was elected this summer Secretary-Treasurer of the U.S. Grains Council. The Council is a membership-driven organization of corn, sorghum, barley producers and agribusinesses that support free and fair global trade. The Council is based in Washington, D.C., but it has a full-time presence in 13 global markets. The Council operates programs in more than 50 countries. Miller will serve until July 2021.

“Expanding our export markets is very important,” said Miller, who added that expanding markets for U.S. crops was his inspiration for seeking a position with the Council. “For every \$1 spent in gaining an export market for U.S. corn, there is a \$28 return. But we’re not going to get it by sitting idly by. We’ve got to go out and sell it, and I want to help us do that.”

Miller earned a bachelor’s degree in Business Management and an MBA from Indiana Wesleyan University. Miller served in the U.S. Marine Corps, and he’s worked overseas as a finance officer for Lockheed Martin. He believes that experience helped him get elected to the board. “We live in a global economy, and trade works for our economy,” Miller added.

Miller graduated from the Indiana Agriculture Leadership Program. He serves as a Jackson Township Trustee.

