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It has come to my attention that the FDA is preparing to implement some regulations for genetically engineered ("GE") foods and crops. IT IS LONG OVERDUE.

It is my understanding, however, that the FDA is not planning to require any mandatory labeling or mandatory pre-market safety testing. If this is the case, I am strongly urging your body to declare a moratorium on the planting and sale of all GE food products until rigorous, independent, pre-market safety testing has established beyond a doubt, their long-term safety. I only have to think of our lowly, but lovely, Monarch butterfly to realize that private industry, unfettered, will protect neither nature nor human kind in its quest to make money.

In summary, PLEASE show some degree of concern for the lives and health of not only your current family members, but also your descendants by instituting requirements for mandatory labeling and mandatory long-term pre-market safety testing of GE products.

Thanks for your consideration and cooperation.

Sincerely,

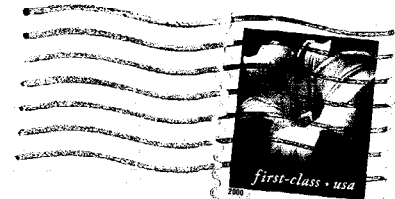


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