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FDA Commissioner  
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Food and Drug Administration  
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061  
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear FDA Commissioner:

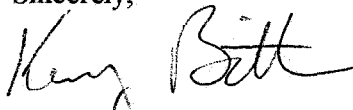
I oppose the FDA's proposed rule regarding genetically engineered foods. The FDA's voluntary labeling and notification proposals are totally inadequate to protect the health and environment of Americans and their right to know what is in their foods.

I support the following:

- \* A moratorium on genetically engineered foods until long-term studies show they are safe for human health and the environment.
- \* All genetically engineered foods and food ingredients should be labeled so all Americans are informed and have a choice of what to buy and consume.
- \* Genetically engineered foods should not be assumed safe and should be subject to mandatory safety testing before they are allowed to be sold.

Please make it the mission of the FDA to protect American consumers, not the producers, who do not have the interests of the public foremost.

Sincerely,



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