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Ms. Jane Henney, M.D.
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5600 Fishers Lane,
Room 1471
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Dear Ms. Henney:

I am writing to you out of concern for what I've recently been hearing and reading about bioengineered foods.

My concern stems from the fact that I am raising a severely food-allergic child (currently age 4). His food allergies are potentially life-threatening, as he is vulnerable to anaphylaxis.

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When I read about bioengineered foods it scares me to think that I could accidentally cause my own son's anaphylactic reaction by feeding him something that is not on the label. Not only is my son testing positive to all the major food allergens: milk, egg, peanut, wheat, soy, etc but he also tests positive to others as well: tomato, celery, lime, tangerine, orange, pea, stringbean, latex, garlic, onion, and more.

I strongly prefer that any foods that have been bioengineered be labeled as such, and that any foods involved be listed accurately on the ingredient statement.

Many decisions come down to one thing: money.

Is it worth risking a young boy's life just so some farmer or producer or marketer can protect their bottom line?

Please help the many people (who are mostly children) protect their health and lives by making known the true ingredients of what we are eating. It's the right thing to do.

Sincerely

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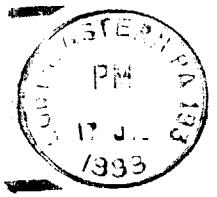

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