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Dear Dr. Friedman,

This letter is asking you to please consider foods to be labled if they have genetically modified ingredients. As a food consumer, I have a need and a right to know this vital information.

Also, please support the National Organic Standard Board's recommendation to prohibit genetically engineered organisms and their derivatives from organic production and handling systems.

I expect the courtesy of a reply. Thank you for your help.

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