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President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton:

I urge you to take action so that:

1. The FDA pre-market tests and labels all genetically engineered foods,
2. Bt corn ~~is~~ banned to protect the Monarch butterfly, and
3. Corporations are held liable for any health or environmental impacts of genetically engineered foods.

In addition to protecting the Monarch butterfly and other insects, these measures are needed to prevent the encouragement of increased pesticide use which could occur because of use of products like Monsanto's "Roundup Ready" soybeans.

I do not want to consume genetically engineered foods, so I buy organically produced foods as much as possible. Since it is not always possible to obtain organically produced food, it is very important to me that these measures be taken. It is also important to me that the entire ecosystem of earth be protected.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,
Carolyn R. Whiting

cc: Senator Edward Kennedy
Senator John Kerry
Representative Edward Markey

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