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141 Massachusetts Farmers Support GMO Food Labeling

Boston, MA – Today, the MA Right to Know GMOs coalition announced that 141 farmers from across Massachusetts pledged their support for GMO food labeling.

Last month, the legislature's Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture passed out of their committee, H. 3996, a GMO labeling bill. If signed into law, the bill would ensure that all foods sold in Massachusetts that contain genetically engineered ingredients (GMOs) would be clearly labeled. The bill is currently pending before the committee on Health Care Financing.

"The bottom line is that people want to know what is in the foods they eat," said Martin Dagoberto, Campaign Coordinator at the MA Right to Know GMOs coalition. "I commend these farmers for standing up for what consumers want and fighting for greater transparency in food labeling."

Local farmers are adding their support and voice to this important debate, joining the broad and growing list of supporters for GMO labeling, including consumer, food safety, public health, community, and other organizations. According to a poll conducted by the New York Times, 93 percent of Americans support labeling foods containing genetically engineered ingredients.

"As a farmer, I am glad to see consumers wanting to know how their food is grown," said Jack Kittridge, Policy Director at Northeast Organic Farmers Association. "We all deserve to know what is in the meals we feed our families."

"Farmers have the consumers' interest at heart here and it is great to see," said Deirdre Cummings, Legislative Director at MASSPIRG. "They know we all want, and should have, basic common sense information about the food we eat."

A full list of supportive farmers is below. For more information on the coalition visit http://www.marighttoknow.org or find us on Facebook.

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"I am a Massachusetts farmer and I am concerned about GMOs. I believe we have the right to know what is in our food, and I support a state law requiring mandatory labeling of food with GMO ingredients."

Name	Farm Name	Town
Karen Gale	3 Little Birds Farm	Plymouth, MA
Ron and Donna Adams	Adams Farm	Hadley, MA
Bette Rousseau	Akin Bak Farm	Franklin, MA
Jennifer Ryu & George Kenty	Alexander Farm	Winchendon, MA
Kristen Laney	Arrowhead Farm	Pittsfield, MA
Frederick H. Pratt	Astarte Farm	Hadley, MA
David Ingersoll	Bay End Farm	Bourne, MA
Cara Hardinger	Bedford Blueberry Goat Farm	Bedford, MA
Megan Kershaw & Chris Fischer	Beetlebung Farm	Chilmark, MA
Dorothy Benedict	Benedict Farm	West Brookfield, MA
Steve Cunningham	Berkshire Bounty Farm	Southfield, MA
Victoria Pecoraro	Blue Rose Gardens and H&H Farm	Wellfleet, MA
Sandra Walsh	Blue Star Farm	Belchertown, MA
Kim Almeida	Blue Vervain Farm	Plymouth, MA
Nicki Anderson	Brix Bounty Farm	Dartmouth, MA
Kate Kerivan	Bug Hill Farm	Ashfield, MA
Laurel & Bill Howatt	Butterflies & Blueberries	Rutland, MA
Tim Friary	Cape Cod Organic Farm	Barnstable, MA
Gretel Norgeot	Checkerberry Farm	Orleans, MA
Margaret Connors	City Growers	Roxbury/Dorchester,MA
Andrew Draxler	ColMax Farm	Heath, MA
Dale C. Moss	Cooper Shop Farm	Buckland, MA
Gloria Meluleni	Coyote Hill Farm	Bernardston, MA
Nathan Frigard	Crimson and Clover Farm	Florence, MA
Abby Miner & Caleb Lemieux	Crooked Farm	Orleans, MA
Linda Ugelow	Dancing Tomato Farm	Carlisle MA
David Kaskeski	Daves Natural Garden	Granby MA
Jen Burt	Dismas Family Farm	Oakham, MA
Joanne Karohl	Dragonfly Farm	Harvard, MA
Maureen Doyle	Earthling Farm	Southbridge, MA
Leanne Limoges	Edgewood Farm	Warwick, MA
Leesa Crocker	EIEIO Farm	Leverett, MA
Ted Dobson	Equinox farm	Sheffield, MA
Ron Douzanis	Fern Brook Farm	Lakeville, MA
Mike Raymond	First Light Farm	Hamilton MA
Cheryl Nunes	First Root Farm	Concord, MA
Ivan & Cynthia Donovan	Forgotten Acres	Hawley, MA
Kevin Korb	Foxtown Farm	Montague MA
Kelly Wheeler & Chris Allard	Front Yard Farm	Ware, MA

FARMERS SUPPORT FOOD LABELING				
Mary Larkin	Gardens by the Sea	West Harwich, MA		
Molly DellaRoman	Gibbet Hill Farm	Groton, MA		
Colleen & John Kearney	Goat Cottage Farm	Westport MA		
Pam Raymond & David Turner	Golden Oak Farm	Hatfield, MA		
Frank Albani	Golden Rule Farm	Plymouth, MA		
William Siff	Goldthread Herb Farm	Conway, MA		
Brian Turnbaugh	Good Roots Farm	Lincoln, MA		
Virginia Ansbergs	Grace Farm	Plainfield, MA		
Heather & Lyle Gray	Gray Farm	Ashfield, MA		
Jessie Banhazl	Green City Growers	Somerville, MA		
Heidi Thunberg	Green Meadows Farm	S. Hamilton, MA		
Tim Cooke	Green Tractor Farm	Milton, MA		
Victoria Pecoraro	H & H Farm	Wellfleet, MA		
Lesley & Bill Tragakis	Harmony Farm	Medfield, MA		
Sonya & Lucas Harms	Harms Family Farm	Brookfield, MA		
Peter Mitchell	Headwater Cider	Hawley, MA		
Stephen Murray	Heart Beets Farm	Berkley, MA		
Ashley, Ethel, Josh & Sarah Howard	Heavens Harvest Farm	New Braintree MA		
Mr. Ashley W Howard	Heavens Harvest Farm	New Braintree, MA		
Bruce Scherer	Heritage Fields Farm	Orange, MA		
Jean M. White & Cindy Prentice	Holly Hill Farm	Cohasset, MA		
Richard Robinson	Hopestill Farm	Sherborn, MA		
Audrey LaBrie	Hydeaway Farms	Winchendon, MA		
Elizabeth Keen	Indian Line Farm	Great Barrington, MA		
Alfred Crocker & Stephanie Cassano	Jewel Hill Farm	Ashby, MA		
J.P. and Marian Welch	Justamere Tree Farm	Worthington, MA		
Nina Keller	Keller Farm	Wendell, MA		
	Kettle Pond Farm	-		
Alex Houtzager John Mitchell		Berkley, MA		
	Khandroling COOP	Shelburne Fall, MA		
Tyler Kimball	Kimball Farm	Haverhill, MA		
George Kirk	Kirk Farm	Groton, MA		
Catherine Hansgate	Ladybug Farm Produce	Hubbardston, MA		
Kate & Kevin O'Dwyer	Langwater Farm	North Easton, MA		
Maureen Sullivan	Left Field Farm	Middlefield, MA		
Erinn Roberts	Lexington Community Farm	Lexington. MA		
John Migliorini	Liberty Farm	Chelmsford/Dracut, MA		
Moira Donnell & Ari Kurtz	Lindentree Farm	Lincoln, MA		
Laura Davis	Long Life Farm	Hopkinton, MA		
Anna Hanchett & Michael Kalagher	Manda Farm	Plainfield, MA		
Jack Kittredge & Julie Rawson	Many Hands Organic Farm	Barre, MA		
Kristin Brennan	Marlborough Street Farm	Springfield, MA		
Jack Stacy	Matt's Organic Gardens	Dennis Port, MA		
Donna & William Frugoli	Meadowmarsh Farm	Marshfield, MA		
Kevin & Brittany Overshiner	Medway Community Farm	Medway, MA		
Caitlin Jones & Allen Healy	Mermaid Farm	Chilmark, MA		
Brenda Armstrong-Champ	Michaelmas Farm	Ashby, MA		
Richard Rosenburgh	Middle Earth Farm	Amesbury, MA		
Francey Slater	Mill City Grows	Lowell, MA		

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Jan Johnson	Mill River Farm	New Marlborough, MA		
Dominic Palumbo	Moon In The Pond Farm	Sheffield, MA		
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David Fisher & Anna Maclay	Natural Roots Farm	Conway, MA		
Teresa Sauer	Ness Farm	Bolton, MA		
Jennifer Hashley	New Entry Sustainable Farming Project	Lowell, MA		
Michelle Todd and Autumn McManus	New Heritage Farm	Wrentham, MA		
Rachel Onuf	NMH School Farm	Mt. Hermon, MA		
Rebecca Reid	Old Field Farm	Leverett, MA		
Wendy Osgood	Osgood Farm	Amesbury, MA		
Caitlin Pemble	Pemble Farm	Pittsfield, MA		
Jennifer Hashley & Peter Lowy	Pete and Jen's Backyard Birds	Sudbury, MA		
Erik Jacobs	Plough & Stars Project	Medford, MA		
Kasey Butler	Powisset Farm	Dover, MA		
William Rogers	Puddingstone Organics	Middleborough, MA		
Ellen Anderson	Quabbin Gate Farm	Petersham MA		
Jessica Cook	Quintessential Gardens	Westport, MA		
Susan Sellew	Rawson Brook Farm	Monterey, MA		
Ryan and Sarah Voiland	Red Fire Farm	Granby/Montague, MA		
Bob Wells	Redberry Farm	Eastham, MA		
Rich Health Field	Rich Fields Organics	Warwick, MA		
Pam & Ray Robinson	Robinson Farm	Hardwick, MA		
Rosamond P. Smythe	Round Lot Farm, LLC	Medfield, MA		
Patricia and Bill Tinker	Ruggles Rose Farm	Hardwick, MA		
Neil Pomeroy & Kerisa Fitzgerald	Scantic Valley CSA	East Longmeadow, MA		
Luke Pryjma	Second Hand Farm	Great Barrington MA		
Deb Habib and Ricky Baruc	Seeds of Solidarity Farm	Orange, MA		
Jim and Nancy Henderson	Sheep's End Farm	Lincoln MA		
Jeremy Barker Plotkin	Simple Gifts Farm	North Amherst, MA		
Bruce Davidson	Sirius Community CSA	Shutesbury, MA		
Ben and Hannah Wolbach	Skinny Dip Farm	Westport MA		
Amelia Wolfe & Will Conklin	Sky View Farm	Sheffield, MA		
Walter Jaworski	Skye Farm	Northfield, MA		
Christian Stanley	Slow Tractor Farm	Hadley, MA		
Susan Peters	Stearns Farm CSA	Framingham, MA		
Lorrie Gampp Dahlen	Summer Dreams Farm	Marshfield, MA		
Ed Stockman	Summit Farm	Plainfield, MA		
Judy Asarkof	Sunflower Sheep Farm	Carlisle, MA		
Leslie Thomas	Sweet Autumn Farm	Carlisle, MA		
Laura Timmerman	Sweet Morning Farm	Leyden, MA		
Susanne Hale	Tending the Wild CSA	Belchertown, MA		
Grace Adzima	The Adzima Farm	Belchertown, MA		
Lucy McKain	The Herb Hill Microdairy	Andover, MA		
David Light	The Kitchen Garden	Orleans, MA		
Rachel Scherer	The Little White Goat Dairy	Orange, MA		
Cian Dalzell & Amanda Hanley Dalzell	Three Maples Market Garden	West Stockbridge, MA		
Ellen & Robert Sousa	Turkey Hill Brook Farm	Spencer MA		
Richard & Janice Burling	Uncle Edgar's Farm	Orleans, MA		
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Rae Jones	Vanguarden CSA	Dover, MA		
Joan & Randy Walker	Walker Farm	New Braintree, MA		
Will Stephens	Weeweeder Farm	Nantucket, MA		
Pru Smith & Sharon Gensler	Wild Browse Farm	Wendell, MA		
Clare Pearson	Wilder Brook Botanicals	Charlemont, MA		
June, James, Seamus & Kristen Wolfe	Wolfe Spring Farm	Sheffield, MA		