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Hon. David Caplan
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Dear Hon David Caplan

Re: Raw Milk Review

The Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario (CFFO) would like to urge the Ministry of Health to undertake a wide-ranging review of the research surrounding the consumption of raw (unpasteurized) milk. While the CFFO does not endorse the contravention of current regulations, our organization does believe that these regulations may be in need of a review.

There are a number of jurisdictions that successfully allow the regulated sale and consumption of raw milk. In Ontario, on-farm health and safety standards are dramatically superior to what they were when the rules governing pasturization were put in place because of genuine health concerns. The CFFO believes that the time has come to re-consider whether raw milk can be marketed safely in Ontario within the supply-managed system.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this controversial matter.

Regards,

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