

March 11, 2009

The Honorable David Paterson
Governor of New York
State Capitol
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Paterson:

Our nation and our states must stop investing in programs that hurt rather than aide the general welfare and common defense. Cornell University's and our other land-grant universities' (LGUs') meat-industry courses drive soaring medical & insurance costs, poor nutrition, water and topsoil loss and contamination, global warming, influenza-pandemic threats, war, oppression, and poverty. I respectfully request your assistance in ending Cornell's and our other LGUs' meat-industry courses.

Inestimable billions of dollars' worth of training, research, and public relations our LGUs give the meat, dairy, egg, fish, and feed-crop industries lock us into an unhealthful, globally disastrous diet. Billions of pills for chronic disease and billions of gallons of farmed-animal feces stinking up the landscape are unnecessary like the annual slaughter of billions of animals for private gain.

Many of our LGUs have responded to the extensive information we have sent them these past six years, summarized in the enclosed factsheets. None has refuted what we say. Yet *no LGU has agreed to stop promoting our most destructive industries.* As Governor of New York, you can ...

- **Address the problem with Cornell University's trustees and the New York legislature, with the objective of eliminating "animal science."**
- **Ensure that New York's entire school system teaches the truth about food, nutrition, original human nature, and ecology. "Animal science" is inconsistent with that. Sources mentioned in the enclosed factsheets can help.**
- **Ensure that the National Governors Association addresses the "animal science" problem.**

It is hard to provide for the general welfare and common defense with our most influential institutions working against us. I hope you will help solve the far-reaching "animal science" problem. The enclosed factsheets provide excellent background. I hope you will let me know your thoughts. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David Cantor
Executive Director

Enclosures