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Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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RE: List of Essential Services

Dear Premier Ford,

To ensure continuity in the food supply and avoid any shortages in food in the short and longer-term, farmers will need to function during this State of Emergency.

We are asking that any farm business and business provides a service or products to farmers are allowed to remain open and functioning during this State of Emergency by designating them Essential Services.

The Agriculture Community including farmers and the businesses that serve farmers are already taking measures to protect their employees and their customers and will as the association representing 28 thousand farmers from across the Province will reiterate the need to keep public health at the forefront of every business decision as we work together to keep Ontario safe.

Sincerely,

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