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The future of rural Minnesota does not rest with corporate takeover of the dairy industry. Family farms not religious affiliated structures with lots of tax exemptions and significant amounts of capital. This corporate takeover is the quickest way to undermine our democracy as it takes away the owner/operator independence needed to maintain versatility and diverse thinking in our government. Disenfranchising family farms is the quickest way to destroy rural Minnesota and rural America.