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Considering the steep decline in national health statistics, and the skyrocketing increases of Alzheimer's, autism, autoimmune syndromes, cancer(s), etc, further gambling with bastardizing our food is very highly contraindicated. *With no clear or well studied causation beyond a clear correlative decline in food safety and other questionable compounds, and with peer-reviewed research clearly implicating the direction Certified Organic opposes* — further confounding the one safe food source and building block this country and this planet has, the one stable grounding factor to pre-industrialization standards, is more than a mistake but a red flag to our nation and a crime to our species. And that's already with having been targeted and tainted by short-sighted, greed-motivated special interests, and even that is a very narrow and lenient assessment. Please, no further mistakes or missteps — allow Certified Organic to remain a bulwark for this and future generations, moreover, allow Certified Organic to be re-written to return to much more stringent and *Sustainable* standard.