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My name is Jessica Manning and I am a professional chef and an avid eater, I love food and recently have been educating myself on what companies such as Monsanto are doing to our food, our farmers and our way of living and eating. Please break up their huge, greedy, lying monopoly.

I have started buying only organic and natural food, why is it more expensive to eat truly healthy, wholesome food? I am concerned for the farmers way of life. I am concerned for my families health and safety (outbreak and spread of bacteria like E. coli happens much faster when meat and vegetables are processed in big centralized locations.) Why are local farms are going out of business (many small farmers can't compete with prices set by industrial farms and consolidated buyers).

Please look into their practices and make them stop being bullies! Please also repeal Food Libel Laws.

Thank you

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