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Hello,

My name is Magdalena French and I am in favour of safely produced, natural raw milk.

My husband grew up on a dairy farm and he and his family drank only raw milk and our family drinks only raw milk even though we live in Brisbane - if we cannot get raw milk we will not drink pasteurised milk because it has next to no nutritional value and therefore it is a waste of money. Raw milk is a real food and truly, if you do original research you will find that you cannot say the same thing about pasteurised milk, in fact it is a non food. My family (and many, many others I know) is a testament to the fact that raw natural milk, safely produced, is not only not harmful to drink but is an extremely valuable nutritious and delicious food.

I hope that all the people who do are assessing this proposal do a thorough research into understanding the real nutritional difference between natural raw milk that has been safely produced and pasteurised milk. The vitamins that are added to pasteurised milk are synthetic and don't even come close to compensating for the nutritional depletion of the milk that has occurred during pasteurisation.

Many countries in Europe have products made from raw milk, such as cultured butter, yoghurts, creams and cheeses - in France 90% of all cheeses are made from raw milk and this is why the French cheeses are the best in the world because they taste so much better than any equivalent cheese that has been made from pasteurised milk. In many countries of the world food is treated as sacred and therefore foods are not tampered with but treated with reverence (and hygiene) unlike food in the western world where food production is all about making money and very little thought is giving to the nutritional quality of that food.

What makes me very sad it that the powers that be that make the decisions about the food that we are ultimately eating, have very little or no serious training in nutrition or biochemistry and therefore do not to their own independent research on whatever it is they are considering.

thank you,

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