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I grew up around these farm lands. The protection on these lands have been essential to keeping environment and people safe, reduce traffic, and allow farmers to maintain their livelihood without big money being able to come in and destroy the area. The bill essentially allows restaurants on farmland without the protections LCDC has already determined are necessary for food sales on farmland and compromises the integrity of the system. If society decides farmland's only use is to make money, it will disappear. Farmland must be protected and preserved for its original purpose of providing agriculture to the world. Removing regulations will turn us into the next Napa Valley. We will become an unattractive strip of commercial activities run by large companies to maximize profits for their shareholders while sacrificing the lands and labor of the communities they bought.