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I am writing in support of getting rid of factory farms. Factory farms, also known as industrial farms, are large-scale farming operations that produce a high volume of animal products for mass consumption. These farms have significant negative impacts on both animal welfare and the environment. Animals in factory farms are often confined to small, cramped spaces, leading to poor living conditions and increased risk of disease transmission. Additionally, factory farms generate massive amounts of waste that pollute the surrounding land, water, and air. The use of antibiotics and hormones in factory farming practices also contributes to antibiotic resistance in humans and animals. If we were to eliminate factory farms, we could significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air and water quality. We could also reduce pesticides and fertilizers commonly used on crops fed to factory farm animals. Furthermore, supporting small, local farms prioritizing animal welfare and sustainable farming practices would create more jobs and boost local economies. Ultimately, eliminating factory farming would lead to a healthier and more sustainable food system. In conclusion, factory farms are bad for the environment and inhumane to all the animals involved. It would mean a lot to me if you could eliminate factory farms. Thank you for your consideration.