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We strongly support our local farms and the vital role they play in our community. Farms that welcome the public for activities such as pumpkin patches, seasonal events, and educational experiences help connect families, especially children to agriculture, nature, and local food systems. These activities provide important supplemental income that allows small farms to remain financially viable while preserving farmland and rural character. We encourage regulatory decisions that recognize the value of agritourism and support farmers in continuing to share their land responsibly with the community. Protecting local farms means protecting our local economy, traditions, and way of life!