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# SUPPORTING OUR FARMERS IN ALBANY

*Don't Bite the Hand that Feeds You*

A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE MESSAGE FROM

STATE ASSEMBLYMAN

**KEN BLANKENBUSH**



“A majority of farms in New York State are considered ‘small family farms.’ Over the last few years, since the emergence of COVID-19, they have faced historic headwinds. In addition to many of their marketplaces being shut down by pandemic restrictions, farmers have faced a supply-chain crisis, burdensome regulations out of Albany, and a push to lower the overtime threshold. Now more than ever, we need to support our small family farms in our local grocery store aisles and in the halls of Albany. Because with *no farms*, there is *no food*.”

— Ken Blankenbush

## I PROUDLY STAND WITH SMALL FAMILY FARMS:

- **A.9990** - Allows school districts to once again purchase whole and 2% milk produced within the state.
- **A.00068** - Allows farmers to receive the Investment Tax Credit (ITC) as a fully-refundable credit, which will encourage future investment into their operations. This bill builds on important improvements to the Investment Tax Credit already passed in this year’s state budget.
- **A.01650** - Establishes the ‘Small Farm Disaster Recovery Grant Program.’ Awards up to \$10,000 in grants to help farmers following a natural disaster or pestilence.

## ATTENTION Jefferson County residents!

Use this link:

[ccejefferson.org/local-foods](https://ccejefferson.org/local-foods)

to access a local food guide provided by the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Jefferson County to find locally-grown and produced products!



If you have questions on this or any other state issues, please contact Ken Blankenbush at:  
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