

# NEW YORK'S FARMERS: INDUSTRY-LEADING ICONS



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# New York's farmers work a hard and thankless job. That needs to change.

I spend many days in Albany, and many outside of it, fighting for the farmers who keep this state going. Being a former dairy farmer myself, I have a great affection for the people in the agriculture industry and want to continue to find ways to give back. Here are a couple of ways I'm hoping to show the people who grow our food that we care.

Remember: **#NoFarmsNoFood!**



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## **Saving Farms from Closing**

I want to make it an easier process for farmers to pay off their tax liens (A.3966)

## **Engaging Veterans in Agriculture**

I want to specifically encourage returning veterans into the agricultural space and support the industry at the same time (A.4210)

## **Buying Produce from In-State Producers**

I want organizations that buy produce in bulk in New York state to specifically buy more from state producers (A.4406)

## **Shipping Savings**

I want to waive the electronic toll fee for New York state dairy product truckers when driving on public roads (A.5352)

## **Partnering with Food Banks**

I want food banks in New York to buy surplus produce directly from the producers, thereby giving those in need more immediate access to fresh foods (A.5708)

## **Voices to Trust**

I want to add the commissioner of agriculture and markets and a member appointed by the Dean of Cornell University's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences as members of the Farm Laborers Wage Board (A.9223)

## **Fresh Milk for All**

I want the state to improve its nourishment standards by providing whole and 2% milk to those in need (A.9259)

