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Media Advisory: During Budget Crisis Feds Use Tax Dollars to Sting and Raid Amish Farm Over Milk--Consumers to Hold Rally on Capitol Hill

What: Grassfed on the Hill, a private farm buying club, has organized a Capitol Hill rally in protest of the recent actions of the FDA against traditional dairy farmer, Dan Allgyer. At the peaceful event the farmer's supporters plan to milk an actual cow and drink the fresh milk. The rally is expected to draw hundreds of raw milk advocates.

When: The rally is planned for 10:00 am-1:00pm Monday May 16th, 2011

Where: Upper Senate Park in DC, Between Constitution Ave NE, Delaware Ave NE and C St NE. Right next to the Russell Senate office Building.

Speakers include:

Jonathan Emord, Attorney

Sally Fallon Morell, President, Weston A. Price Foundation

David Gumpert, Author and Real Food Blogger

Mark McAfee, Founder and Owner, Organic Pastures Dairy

Baylen Linnekin, Executive Director, Keep Food Legal

Background: Members of a DC area buying group, Grassfed On the Hill, and citizens across the country, are furious with the aggressive treatment of peaceful Amish dairyman Dan Allgyer and the use of taxpayer money to prosecute him, especially during a budget crisis. Allgyer, who supplies the group with fresh milk and other farm produced foods, has been served by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) with notice of a permanent injunction against selling milk into interstate commerce, the result of a year and half long sting operation that included an agent planted in the buying club to collect evidence against Allgyer.

“It is absolutely inexcusable that FDA has spent time, energy and money conducting an undercover sting and armed raid against a farmer over distribution of milk.” says Liz Reitzig, one of the group’s organizers. “We contract with farmers we know and trust and engage privately with them. The FDA has no jurisdiction here, and it’s time we stand together and demand that they stop treating our honest farmers like hardened criminals.”

More details: <http://www.facebook.com/grassfedonthehill> or <http://.grassfedonthehill.com>

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