Dear President Biden,

**Holy cow! It’s udderly unbelievable!**

Did you know that it’s a scientific fact that animal agriculture overall is responsible for a staggering 87% of greenhouse gas emissions? That eating animals is one of the leading causes of climate change? That going vegan can save us all?

Why is that? Well two main reasons. Firstly, and not to put too fine a point on it, I blow off a lot. I naturally emit methane from both ends and always will. More gas than the Senate in full session.

There are at least a billion cows like me being farmed right now, that’s a lot of methane coming out.

Secondly, meat producers are forcing us to over-graze and destroy plant life, they’re removing vegetation such as trees that would sequester carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

In fact if grazing lands were restored to forests, they could suck up the CO$_2$ from all our fossil fuel emissions. Existing grazing lands could also be used to grow crops for you humans to eat, rather than to be inefficiently turned into meat.

And it isn’t just about us cows, all animal agriculture contributes to climate change and ill-health in humans. Pigs are still being pumped full of hormones and chemicals that make humans as fat as them.

Encouraging veganism will reduce damage to our climate, and our health, in one simple stroke.

I know the pressures the meat industry can exert and I know their arguments, which are dishonest, corrupt and often crazy. We need a voice as powerful as yours to state that a better way to tackle climate change is through what we eat.

We need to end the killing and burning machine, reset the planet’s food system.

I applaud your commitment to “to make evidence-based decisions guided by the best available science and data” and to insulate scientific decision-making and the work of federal scientists from “improper political interference.”

However, regarding the global methane pledge to be announced at COP26 to reduce methane emissions by 30% from 2020 levels by 2030, may I point out that a 30% reduction from 2020 levels is only an 18% reduction from 2019 levels?

So for the sake of future generations, let’s act now not later.

On behalf of all animals, I’ll be at COP26, in fact you won’t be able to miss me.

**Let’s start a moovement together.**

Yours faithfully,

**Vega,**

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