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LOCAL FARMERS/BUSINESSES UNITE IN APPEAL OVER \$15 MINIMUM WAGE

The countdown is on to defeat the \$15 minimum wage proposal in New York State. With the April 1 budget deadline just days away, a coalition of farmers and business groups from across the state are standing together to reveal a powerful message to lawmakers. Area Farm Bureau's are hosting a press conference on **Friday, March 18th at 10:30 a.m.** at Three Rivers Development 2nd floor conference room, 19 East Market St., Corning.

This decision will have deep consequences in our communities. Because of their concerns, the farmers/business owners will make a personal appeal to their representatives in Albany before the votes are cast.

Following the press conference at 11am, Assemblyman Phil Palmesano, along with Senator Tom O'Mara and Assemblyman Chris Friend, will convene a meeting of his Ag Advisory Committee in the same location, to discuss the minimum wage issue. The media is welcome and encouraged to attend.

What: Farmers/business owners address \$15 minimum wage proposal in advance of budget deadline

Where: Three Rivers Development 2nd floor conference room, 19 East Market St., Corning. Parking available in the Centerway Square parking garage, in municipal lots behind the south side of Market St., or on Market St. itself.

When: Friday, March 18th at 10:30 a.m.