A Somewhat

Immodest Proposition*

for conserving

Six hundred acres

of

Prime Agricultural Land

and the many social, economic, and environmental services it provides,

while

fairly compensating

and preserving the

property rights

of the landowner.

*This title is patterned after A Modest Proposal published by Jonathon Swift in 1729. Swift was satirically proposing selling poor Irish children to be eaten. We title this proposal as immodest because we, unlike Swift, are in fact quite serious, although so far few have taken us to be so.

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Whereas:

The Lagler/Ackerland properties are prime agricultural soils currently being productively farmed as one of the last four or five commercial dairies in Clark County.

And, Whereas:

Closing the Lagler Dairy will reduce the volume and value of milk produced in Clark County by approximately one quarter. And because fluid milk is a highly perishable product that is expensive to transport; reducing this capacity could jeopardize the public health in the event of a natural, economic or political crisis.

And, Whereas:

Even if dairy farming becomes no longer viable in this location, the land would be at least as productive, if not more productive devoted to a variety of valuable row crops.

And Whereas:

The community of Brush Prairie, including those who live here, those who eat the food produced here and those who consume the amenities conserved here will benefit from its conservation.

And Whereas:

Investors in the international markets have deemed U.S. Farmland as a safe and stable investment in these volatile and uncertain times, and many average citizens have retirement investments, a small portion of which could be devoted to this project.

Therefore:

Be it resolved that the undersigned community members do band together and purchase these 600 plus or minus acres as a safe and stable investment providing a modest return, under the working name: **PRAIRIE FARM CROSSING.**

This project will require numerous investors as well as open minded financial consultants, real estate agents and lawyers, and community leaders.

Non-binding pledges of support can be e-mailed to huntersgreens@spiritone.com.