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**Support of Petition #22-01 Northern Goose Processors Ltd in pursuit of amending standard definition of *Ready to Cook Poultry*, to allow the production and import acceptance for the *Chinese Young Goose with Head* without requiring a religious exemption.**

Dear FSIS Docket Clerk,

On behalf of Oriental Food Association, we submit this letter to demonstrate our support for the request made by foreign establishment, Northern Goose Processors.

Oriental Food Association represents the major Asian food distributors in Northern California. We have been serving the public with updated food safety information as well as a channel to connect the governmental agencies and businesses **over 27 years**.

We support the petition to amend the definition of *Ready to cook poultry* to include poultry with the head intact. We do not associate the head and neck intact with a defined religion and our association members do not require this product to be suited to religious dietary requirements. Keeping the head and neck intact facilitates the traditional cooking methods from Asian culture.

The amendment of this policy would allow processors, food manufacturers and restaurants to provide the American public with Asian dishes beyond the mainstream menu items and provide a cultural experience. We support the integration of ethnic cuisine into the daily American diet. Thank you for your attention to this concern and consideration to make this specialty product available in the USA.

Sincerely,

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Dear FSIS Docket Clerk,

On behalf of Asian Food Trade Association (AFTA), we submit this letter to demonstrate our support for the request made by foreign establishment, Northern Goose Processors.

AFTA represents the Asian food distributors in Southern California. We have a gross revenue of \$1 billion USD, and have been serving the demand of Asian foods to retailers and restaurants throughout the United States.

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Thank you for your attention to this concern and consideration to make this specialty product available in the USA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy Sher", is written over a circular stamp or seal.

Timothy Sher  
President  
Asian Food Trade Association