



*Providing a Voice for Northeast Colorado*

## BIOPHARMACEUTICAL ECONOMIC IMPACT

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**WHEREAS**, Biopharmaceutical production is a fast growing industry globally, providing safe, pure medicines at a greatly reduced cost to those who need it most, and;

**WHEREAS**, Northeastern Colorado is one of the top corn-producing areas in the country and agriculture is a vital aspect of the economy, and;

**WHEREAS**, Northeastern Colorado is also an ideal location for biopharmaceutical production because of its ability to control production through irrigation, and;

**WHEREAS**, The area is looking for new business that would create additional employment. If the corn is grown locally, the processing business of extracting the compound has a very good chance of being located locally. The operation and management would create high paying employment, and;

**WHEREAS**, The concerns of growing any modified plant need to be addressed with sound science, and;

**WHEREAS**, Laws and regulation have been developed to regulate the industry.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, Progressive 15 strongly supports biopharmaceutical production in the Progressive 15 Region, AND;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Progressive 15 strongly supports the location of the processing facilities in the Progressive 15 Region of Colorado and welcomes those interested in such ventures.

*Adopted this 20th day of November, 2003*