

## University of Washington professor speaks out in support of I-522

*The Seattle Times* sat down with Phil Bereano, a professor emeritus of technical communication and co-founder of AGRA-Watch, a group that opposes the Gates Foundation's work on GM crops in Africa. In the interview, Bereano stresses that labeling would empower consumers to make their own, informed decisions about what food they buy and eat, regardless of the reason.

**Q: What do you consider the most important factors for voters to weigh as they decide how to vote on I-522?**

**A:** A lot of the discussion is around safety. But kosher meat is labeled, even though it has nothing to do with safety and health. People want to know what they're eating. They may want to know for religious reasons, they may want to know for health reasons, they may want to know for political reasons, they may want to know for economic reasons. All of those reasons are valid.

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