Pro and anti-GMO activists' goals for food and environment are not that different

I, too, am concerned about ... my children and grandchildren: will they have clean air and water? ... You're frustrated by the fact that ... some politicians are ideologically driven to believe that climate change isn't real. These ideologies are fueled by corporate lobbyists, so it's natural that you don't want corporations to be "tinkering" with our food.

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[I]n the next few decades, global warming and population growth will impact agriculture even further. As we confront these problems in agriculture, we need every tool at our disposal, including GMOs.

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I've been put in the uncomfortable position of defending companies whose actions I may not always agree with, but have developed the transgenic crops that I support. ... I do this because the scientific consensus is that GMOs are as safe as traditionally bred crops. This is the same scientific consensus that you defend when you speak of global warming.

The elimination of GMOs is not a silver bullet that will somehow solve the issues in our society or our food system. We should focus our efforts on the real issues and not a convenient scapegoat that has been placed in front of us.

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