



Wysocki Family of Companies Press Release  
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## **Wysocki Family of Companies Applauds State Supreme Court for Protecting Vested Rights**

Bancroft, WI – Each legislative session dating back to 2013, the Legislature and Governor have enacted new laws protecting the rights of property owners to invest in projects that create jobs and fuel the state’s economy, while ensuring fair and valuable local input in how those projects proceed.

These types of projects are especially important to the future of our rural economy. One of those new laws, enacted in 2013, was designed to protect property owners by freezing local zoning laws in place at the time the property owner applies for permits for a project. Over the course of several years, the Wysocki Family of Companies (WFC) defended its right to build a state-of-the-art dairy and crop farming operation in the Town of Saratoga in Central Wisconsin.

WFC filed all of its applications when the project land was zoned “unrestricted,” only to be met with the Town’s imposition of zoning restrictions after the fact. This morning, the Wisconsin Supreme Court issued a key decision in harmony with the Legislature’s vested rights law, allowing the WFC project to move forward on the basis of the rules in place at the time WFC filed its applications, and ensuring that the government cannot change the rules in the middle of the game.

In response to the Court’s decision, Bancroft, WI-based WFC issued the following statement:

“The Wisconsin Supreme Court in January heard the vested rights case related to our proposed Golden Sands Dairy in the Town of Saratoga. We waited a long time for that moment as the case passed through lower courts. Throughout these six years we respected the judicial process. Following the Jan. 11 oral arguments and subsequent State Supreme Court deliberations, yesterday the court announced its ruling.

While we are pleased with the court’s decision, our intent regardless of its ruling has been for our business to work with the Saratoga community to resolve the issues. Nothing about the court’s ruling changes our thinking.

As we put the legal aspect behind us, we will stay engaged with the various stakeholders, working together to find compromise and solutions.

Meanwhile, WFC will continue investing — and being present in — the central Wisconsin communities where we and our employees have lived and worked for generations.”





About WFC

*Wysocki Family of Companies, a second generation family farm, is a category leader and key grower/shipper of year-round potatoes and onions. WFC utilizes “farming full circle,” which integrates dairy farming and crop farming into an environmentally and economically sustainable business. WFC prides itself on maintaining a high level of business integrity that includes commitments to environmental sustainability, as well as category innovation and retail solutions.*

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