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Dear GOS Pig Enthusiast,

It is my pleasure to introduce to you the Gloucestershire Old Spots Pig Breeders United (GOSPBU); a new organization and registry dedicated to the Gloucestershire Old Spots Pig. Several GOS breeders have recently come together to form this non-profit GOS pig breed registry that is dedicated to meet the needs of the breeders of Gloucestershire Old Spots Pigs.

We will soon be accepting new members, registering GOS pigs, adding an online Coefficient of Inbreeding (CI) calculator, and transferring other GOS pig registrations to GOSPBU. The GOSPBU will offer free registration transfers from other GOS registries; many more details on our club will follow. The GOSPBU will be listed with The Livestock Conservancy (formerly ALBC) as a Gloucestershire Old Spots Pig registry.

Our mission statement sums up our goals:

***“The mission of GOSPBU is to preserve and promote the GOS pig for genetic conservation, provide breeder and membership support, and educate the general public.”***

I sincerely hope that you take the time to study the soon to be released materials and information we will offer the GOS pig breeder. Watch for exciting details on the official launch of the GOSPBU. I am truly excited about the future of this great breed, and proud to be the first President of the Gloucestershire Old Spots Pig Breeders United. The future of the GOS breed is in the hands of the breeder. It will take many helping hands working together, united, to increase the GOS pig herd population in the United States to safe levels. We have a great start, but will require many more breeders to help us, help the GOS breed.

Sincerely,

Rich Tilyou