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Mr. Robert E. Nyce, Executive Director
Independent Regulatory Review Commission
333 Market Street, 14th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Mr. Nyce:

As a person concerned about the well-being of animals and as a legislator who has been a sponsor over the years of legislation advocated by the PA Federation of Dog Clubs, I was recently made aware by Federation Legislative Chair Dotsie Keith of a proposed veterinary regulation (#16A-5715) on the implanting of electronic devices.

I am writing in support of the Federation's position against the utilization of non-certified veterinary employees to implant microchips in dogs for identification purposes. It is reasonable to allow a certified animal health technician in a veterinary office to perform microchip implantations, but I share the concerns about sanitation and proper implantation expressed by Mrs. Keith with regard to the procedure being performed by an uncertified employee in a veterinary office.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Stewart J. Greenleaf
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