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January 11, 2007
 Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement
 Attn: Ms. Mary Bender
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Dear Ms. Bender:

As a dog lover and an animal advocate, I applaud the steps recently taken by the Dog Law Advisory Board to update the antiquated regulations that have left thousands of PA dogs suffering on a daily basis.

The new regulations, introduced on December 16, 2006, are practical, enforceable, and will greatly improve the quality of life for the dogs living in the commercial breeding kennels. Moreover, those breeders opposing the regulations, based upon the costs they will incur to implement the necessary changes, do not have the dogs' best interest at heart. Clearly, these are the breeders who should be out of the business should they choose not to support or comply with the new regulations; the issue is the health of the dogs - not the money in the breeder's - or dog registry's - pocket.

It is absolutely documented by canine authorities that daily exercise, grooming, proper veterinary care and quality housing all serve to promote canine health and mental balance.

The Bureau has my whole-hearted support to implement the new regulations and to continue policing and shutting down the substandard kennels that have littered our state to such a degree that we're known as the 'Puppy Mill Capital' of the east.

Sincerely,
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As a member of a rescue group, I wholeheartedly agree with shutting down these puppy millers. I am fostering a rescue from a puppy mill at the moment, and I detest what these puppy millers do. So far from humane. These dogs deserve what is best for them, just watching my foster go from a scared dog, and still is wary, and learning what a family really is, enjoying his freedom, playing with toys and receiving the care and love he deserves is so rewarding and heartwarming. Whatever needs to be done to stop this abuse, all tactics should be taken. These are God's creatures and are not here on this earth for abuse or money making schemes.

Shut them down!

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