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Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement Attn: Ms. Mary Bender 2301 North Cameron Street Harrisburg, PA 17110-9408

Dear Ms. Bender:

Hello. My name is Jordan Stauffer. I own Tattle Tails Dog Grooming in York. Dogs are my passion and my life which is why I am writing this letter.

I am very supportive of the new kennel regulations to help improve the living conditions for dogs in commercial breeding facilities in Pennsylvania. If it were up to me, these so called "puppy mills" would be totally done away with, but that is next to impossible. These new guidelines will help minimize the cruelty that is shown to these dogs and help make their lives more comfortable. I especially appreciate the regulation for allowing time for exercise and larger kennels. I see many dogs coming into my grooming salon who have been bought from pet stores with terrible birth defects. It is so sad to see. I always try to educate people to buy only from responsible breeders who are active in their breed club. If people would stop buying these puppy store pups, they may put puppy mills out of business. That is the real goal. Remember, the passage of these regulations will also make Pennsylvania's Department of Agriculture a national leader a diminish Pennsylvania's reputation as the "Puppy Mill Capitol of the East Coast."

Once again, I support and encourage the proposed kennel regulations.

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