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Ms. Mary Bender
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Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
2301 North Cameron Street
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Dear Ms. Bender;

In a full-page ad in the Sunday Patriot news today we read about a pending change to the dog laws that may have an unintended consequence.

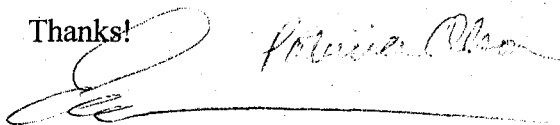
We would like to add our voice to the effort to encourage dog and pet breeding by responsible individuals and to discourage the creation of even more puppy mills in the state.

Since moving here 9 years ago we are surprised by the number of families in the surrounding Mennonite communities and countryside that have one apparent purpose . . . to churn out pets like chickens that are reared in cages that never see the love of a family environment and in many cases end up creating a ill prepared pet to enter a family home.

We hope that you and the staff in the Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement are reviewing these laws carefully to assure that our state becomes a model rather than an enigma that makes others wonder what we are doing about the proliferation of puppy mills in this state.

We look forward to hearing back on this issue.

Thanks!



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