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To All it May Concern,

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I am writing to urge you to adopt the new dog law enforcement regulations recently published in the Penna. Bulletin. I live in the Lancaster County area (Providence Township) and have seen first hand the cruel conditions of puppy mills. Not only are they a disgrace to civilized society but they are horrible neighbors and reduce property values of those who have the misfortune of living close to one of these kennels. Our township has spent a lot of time trying to tackle the associated zoning and enforcement issues around puppy mills and so they are also increasing the burden on local government.

Please adopt the regulations as published, to end the inhumane conditions that currently disgust normal people.

All dogs should get at least a 20 minute walk a day, be kept in a clean comfortable kennel with no temperature extremes and air circulation. Those who have abused animals should not be allowed to ever get a kennel license. In addition -No dog should be allowed to be tied as a means of restraint, and a limit on the number of dogs should be set. The health of all of our canine companions is in jeopardy if factory farming is extended to dogs.

I urge you to hear the thousands of PA residents who demand action on this issue. Economic - tourism boycotts would be lifted and PA could rise above it's disgusting reputation as a state that currently encourages cruelty!

Sincerely,

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Ps. I JUST REALIZED I SHOULD TELL YOU ABOUT THE GERMAN SHEPARD WE RESCUED FROM AN AMISH FARMER WHO LEFT THE CHAIN AROUND HIS NECK GROW INTO HIS SKIN SO HE FOREVER HAD AN INCH WIDE SCAR THE WHOLE WAY AROUND HIS NECK. THAT IS THE MENTALITY OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THESE PUPPY MILLS. EVIL BEYOND WORDS!

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