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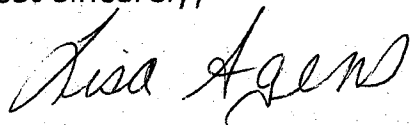
Dear Ms. Bender:

I am writing to you in reference to the new legislation being proposed by lawmakers in PA in an effort to improve the living conditions of animals that live in commercial breeding facilities. I would like to applaud your efforts and thank you for your work on behalf of those who have no voice.

I am writing to enthusiastically support this legislation. It is my hope that legislators will not bend to the special interests of groups who are allowing their collective financial self-interest to supercede the overall welfare of the dogs that live in these commercial breeding facilities. We have rescued many dogs that are "cast-offs" from puppy mills after years of horrid conditions. Dogs with health issues and behavioral "quirks" who are no longer producing up to the puppy mill standard. We know the rehabilitation it takes to make these dogs live a normal life as a result of their lifetime of neglect and mistreatment.

Once again, I applaud your efforts on behalf of the helpless animals that are suffering in the state of PA at this very moment due to the greed of certain individuals. I hope that you will work tirelessly to see to it that this legislation can be passed and become law. It is my hope that the final legislation will not interfere with the work of shelters and rescues who are already working tirelessly on behalf of animals. That being said, I would like to once again express my support of this legislation.

Most sincerely,



This is Chinnie, Sara and Nichi, our 3 most recent recues. Sara was rescued from a puppy mill in western PA in December 2006, she is 9 years old. Nichi was rescued in early 2005. We don't know his exact age but he is a senior, we guess around 12 or more. They lived for years in horrible conditions and have proven to be wonderful dogs. We all support the legislation.

