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Mary Bender Department of Agriculture Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement 2301 North Cameron Street Harrisburg, PA 17110-9408

Dear Ms. Bender:

I am writing to ask you to support new puppy mill regulations that will provide better protection from the elements as well as time outside of cages for exercise.

Dogs are social animals and to subject them to a solitary life inside a small cage is inhumane. Visual stimulation is also so important.

In addition to the benefits for these animals, healthier and better-adjusted animals will make better pets for consumers.

Thank you for your help to make these animals' (and people's) lives better.

Sincerely,

Chris O'Donnell