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

Dear Ms. Bender:

The dog world is abuzz with talk of the new proposed dog regulations. Having been very involved in many animal-oriented organizations all over Pennsylvania for over a decade, I know these regulations are certainly a giant step in the right direction.

It will be impossible to please all the people in Pennsylvania with regard to treatment of breeding dogs. Some feel these regulations are far to strict while others feel they are still not enough to prevent the obvious cruelty commercial breeding kennels facilitate. Any citizen can read the 67-page document and know that the ability to find ground to put into law all of the proposals will certainly never occur, hence the word "proposed". However, no matter what regulations make it to the law books, I hope that they are strictly enforced. Using the millions of dollars generated by kennel license fees and dog licenses, there is no reason the state should not have the resources to be sure that all dog laws are followed.

Animals deserve better than to live their existence in current conditions, especially when many dogs are suffering against laws that have already been passed. I implore you to include a plan of enforcement in your passage of the proposed dog regulations. Only by enforcing the law can we eventually move toward people following it and ending the cruel practices of commercial dog breeding.

Sincerely,

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