Dear Ms. Bender:

My name is George J. Gately Jr. Owner of BLACK VALLEY KENNEL.

I am a license kennel owner in the Schuylkill County area.

I raise beagles for a hobby and I belong to Susquehanna Valley Beagle Club.

I wish to express a need to end puppy mills. However adding more regulations will only burden the hobbyist.

Better enforcement of the present laws against offenders will serve the Mission of ending puppy mills. I 'm already inspected two or three times a year by the local Dog

Enforcement Officer, for kennel conditions, record keeping,.

In the past 5 years I have raised three litters, I do not consider Black Valley Kennels a puppy mill in any sense of the word.

The regulations that are purposed would only put a massive cost burden on a kennel which is not or ever was seeking to profit from his hobby, and very well could end the relationship of a man and his beagles, thus an end to BLACK VALLEY KENNELS.

> THANK YOU George J. Gately Jr. Black Valley Kennels.

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