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Dear Sir,

I wish to offer my comments on the proposed regulation of dog breeders in PA.

The Dog Law regulations as applied to kennels should exempt all non-profit animal welfare and rescue organizations, especially non-kennel-based breed rescues and foster homes. These life-saving groups are organized specifically to save and care for the dogs who are given up by their new families because of sickness and genetic disorders caused by bad breeding practices.

I feel that representatives from non-profit animal welfare and rescue groups should be included on the Dog Law Advisory Board to better represent the interests of animals in forming these regulations.

Some of the regulations, as I understand them, seem to be quite onerous. I certainly hope that reason will prevail.

Thank you for allowing me to offer my comments.

Sincerely,

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