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Chairman of the Independent Regulatory Review Committee (IRRC)
Arthur Coccodrilli,
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Dear Mr. Coccodrilli,

As a concerned voter, lifelong resident of Pennsylvania and longtime owner of rescued pets, I beg of you to help stop the abuse and cruel conditions that go on at the Puppy Mills of Pennsylvania. It sickens me to think of the conditions at these establishments. I will fully support any administration or politician who takes an active role in having these places become illegal as well as enforcing any and all penalties on the puppy mill owners and profiteers.

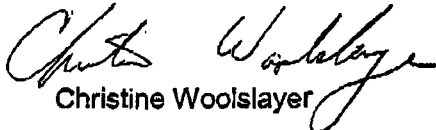
Two points should be noted when addressing this issue.

1. The Dog Law regulations as applied to kennels should exempt all non-profit animal welfare and rescue organizations, especially non-kennel-based rescues and fosters. 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.
2. 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.

How this cruel practice has gone on this long without stricter penalties, is mind boggling to me. There are a great deal of pet owners in this state who agree with me and would support any politician who also supports laws addressing the cruelty of puppy mills.

Please contact me if you have any questions. I am very passionate about this cause. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Christine Woolslayer