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Message = I have two puppy mill rescued dogs. I wonder every day if I can help to erase the horrible memory of what they endured for 7 years in a cage. No matter what I do, I can't seem to erase the look of terror in their eyes every time I reach to pick them up. After a minute or two, they relax and realize tht it is me and that they are safe.

Neither one have teeth (due to lack of nutrition) and both had been debarked (the puppymill owners shoved a metal pipe down their throat and hit it with a hammer, rupturing their voval cords, so they don't have to listen to them bark. Reno is a four pound Maltese and Kendra is an eight pound Maltese.

I support the regulatory changes to the commercial dog regulations submitted by the Coalition Against Misery. The draft regulations that were recently released by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture do not adequately address the issues of temperature control, cage conditions and humane breeding practices.

Every kennel must be required to have a visible, safe source of heat and air-conditioning. Additionally, the regulations should limit the number of dogs that can be kept in one cage. And finally, we ask that you include breeding regulations consistent with those established by reputable breed clubs.

Please take steps to ensure that the new regulations provide humane conditions for the dogs.

Thank you