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To: IRRC
Subject: re: puppy mills

Dear Sir,

As a former resident of Pittsburgh, it saddens me deeply to find that Pennsylvania is one of the worst states in terms of puppy mills. I would like to forward this to you so there could be some logical, deliberate action taken regarding these mills.

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.

Thank you,

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