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Message = My first dog was bought in a petstore. He was bred in a puppy mill and very sick from a respiratory infection when I got him. It was a heartbreaking experience, but it was worst for him. We went through months of medication and treatments and willed him to live. I was blessed to have him in my life, but do not wish the heartache on other dog owners, but most of all, I do not wish the pain and agony on dogs mistreated or at best ignored in puppy mills across the USA. America, this should be beneath your dignity. This kind of treatment of animals is not what the world expects of the land of the free and the home of the brave!

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

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