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To the legislators in Harrisburg--the Rendell Administration:

About the dog laws in Pennsylvania...What are you people doing? And worse, what are you not doing?? You must, according to some conscience that God gave you, consider the suffering of innocent creatures who are being abused and exploited solely for the benefit of an interest group devoid of any semblance of a higher order of humane compassion. You know who they are--are you different from them? What is being offered that you all would sell your souls? All of you?

Of course this is an emotional argument--don't condemn it for that. It is this kind of emotion that makes us "higher," isn't it? These animals are suffering horribly--rhetoric is not the answer here. Please, look into the eyes of your own pets--imagine your beloved companion in the same agonizing situation that these mill dogs are in. Would you stop their suffering if you could?

What about posterity? Would you want to be remembered as one of the enlightened lawmakers of your era, or another of the pandering politicians? Imagine the near future when people will say, "Can you imagine that there were people who could have done something and didn't?"

These dogs are being tortured and crippled--put your words around it anyway you want, but you know it is true. And that knowledge makes you responsible-- and it saddens me that my vote may have made me responsible.

I am,

Julia Greystone--a caregiver and protector of a puppy mill breeder survivor, Mattie. Someone there failed to protect her, so we're doing it now.

Havertown, Pennsylvania

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