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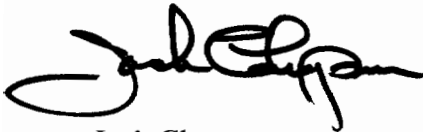
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I heartily support the emergency measures the USDA has taken to ban the slaughter of downed cattle for human consumption. I urge you to make the ban permanent and to include all downed animals—sheep, pigs and other livestock, as well as all downed cattle—in the final ban. Please make certain that there is a requirement that all downed animals be humanely euthanized immediately, wherever they become downed.

Sincerely,



Jack Chapman