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Dear Folks, of the USDA

Just want to say thank you for your emergency measures to ban the slaughter of downed Cattle following the first case of mad Cow disease in the U.S. discovered in a "downed" cow on Dec 23.

I am asking you to make the ban permanent and to include all downed animals - sheep, pigs and other livestock as well as Cattle in the final ban.

Finally I am asking that the USDA add a requirement that all downed animals be humanely euthanized immediately, wherever they become downed.

The cruelty to animals being slaughtered for human consumption is unspeakable and must be stopped.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

Sincerely,

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