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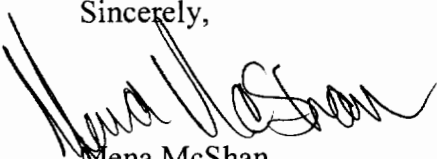
Re: Downed Animal Protection

Dear Sir/Madam:

I would like to thank you for instituting emergency measures to ban the slaughter of downed cattle for human consumption. I ask that you please make the ban permanent and extend the ban to include all downed animals. I also ask that you please institute a measure that would require that downed animals be euthanized immediately and humanely.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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