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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I very, very strongly support the humane handling of poultry.

There needs to be a federal statute in place for humane handling and slaughter of poultry.

As a retired high school teacher, I know all too well the direct correlation between violence and cruelty. The unbelievable (until one sees the photos and hears the stories) conditions of cruelty such as is occurring with chickens (and hogs) is mind boggling and appalling. How did it sink this low? Under which agencies' watch?

Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely,

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