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Ms. Jane Henney, M.D. Commissioner  
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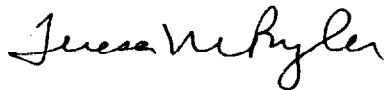
Dear Ms. Henney:

I am writing to urge you to ban the use of human antibiotics to make livestock grow faster.

The process of using the same drugs doctors use to treat illnesses such as food poisoning and staph infections is resulting in antibiotic resistance in food-borne bacteria like salmonella and campylobacter. Please act responsibly toward human health by banning all growth-promoting uses of antibiotics in agriculture animals as has the European Union and has been suggested by the World Health Organization.

Again, I urge you to act quickly and responsibly.

Sincerely,



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