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To the USDA:

I am a concerned citizen who wants to thank you for your quick action on banning the slaughter of downed cattle for human consumption.

I did not realize until today that this was not a permanent ban. Please go a step further and make this permanent, for the sake of the public and the animals. The ban should include all downed animals, as it makes no sense to not include them all.

Finally, please require that all these downed animals be humanely euthanized as soon as possible after they become downed.

Thanks for your hard work on this difficult matter.

Sincerely,



Robert Kalfin