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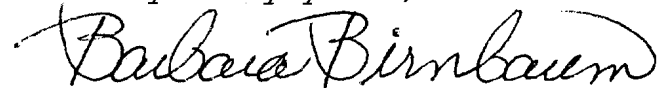
Dear Sir/Madam:

I would like to thank FSIS for its emphasis on the proper handling of poultry at slaughter. Although the language is coached in terms of proper commercial handling, following the FSIS recommendations will result in far more humane treatment of the poultry we eat.

I am always interested in the humane treatment of all living things and encourage the FSIS to continue in this vein.

Thank you so much for the opportunity to express myself on this issue.

Very truly yours,



Barbara Joan Birnbaum

P.S. We really do need a Federal statute to establish these humane guidelines for poultry. 