From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Trisha Linebarger</u>

Subject: FW: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

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From: sunset@sunset.texas.gov < sunset@sunset.texas.gov > On Behalf Of Texas Sunset Commission

Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2020 12:10 PM

To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>

Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

First Name: MARY

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Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

Email:

City: HOUSTON

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I STRONGLY OPPOSE the recommendation to abolish the Licensed Breeders Program. This program is a step in the right direction. If it is abolished, the result is a huge increase in unregulated breeding operations (PUPPY MILLS). Currently, Texas is annually killing over 100,000 dogs in shelters.

Abolishing this program will rapidly double that number. Texas currently kills more cats and dogs than ANY OTHER STATE because of overpopulation that leads to neglect, abuse, and abandonment - ultimately death. Please do not abolish one of the FEW programs that can help lower this apalling number.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: If anything, this program should be broadened and strengthened.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree