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Agency: TEXAS DEPARTMENT LICENSING AND REGULATION

First Name: Loretta

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City: RED ROCK

State: Texas

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

Please preserve the Texas Licensed Breeders Program for the following reasons:

1. the program prevents Texas breeders with a history of animal cruelty from becoming licensed. Without the program, the ability to track these breeders lacks consistency. Stops cruelty before it happens. 2. keeps breeders in check, preventing large scale seizures which burdens the tax payers and non-profits. With limited resources, law enforcement relies heavily on non-profits for help during these seizures. Inspections of these facilities before licensing could prevent large scale seizures. 3. periodic inspections to insure shelter, food, water, medical treatments are being provided. 4.

can be helpful to the consumer when making a decision about purchasing a puppy or kitten from a breeder.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Improvements: Lower requirement of breeding females from 11 to 5. Remove requirement that only breeders selling twenty puppies/kittens per year be licensed.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree