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Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2020 10:40 AM
To: Sunset Advisory Commission <Sunset@sunset.texas.gov>
Subject: Public Input Form for Agencies Under Review (Public/After Publication)

Agency: TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION

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State: Texas

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

Dear Sunset Commission,

I am writing to express my opposition to the current Sunset Commission staff recommendation to abolish the Licensed Breeders Program which will assuredly cause a resurgence of cruel puppy mill practices in Texas. The Licensed Breeders program has acted as a crucial safeguard against cruelty for dogs and cats across Texas and has successfully stopped the cycle of cruelty before it starts in many instances. I am asking the Sunset Commission to keep the Licensed Breeders Program.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Lower the current threshold for licensure from 11 breeding females to 5. This threshold is higher than any other state and has allowed large-scale breeders to masquerade as small "mom and pop" breeding operations.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree