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Subject: Licensed Breeder Advisory Committee

Dear All,

I am sorry that I could not attend today's meeting. I hope it went well and much good was accomplished. I sincerely believe that all of you are a dedicated bunch; however, effective immediately, I am resigning my position on the Advisory Committee. I have put much thought and soul-searching into this, and I have become disillusioned with the process. Unfortunately, I do not feel that we are going down the right road to improve animal welfare by stopping puppy mill breeders while encouraging the good breeders to continue. I think we are driving the good breeders out of business and sending the bad breeders underground, where they will continue to crank out unhealthy animals and continue the cycle of neglect and abuse. The breeders who do seriously care about the animals they raise and improving the breeds they are passionate about will either be out of business, or at the least, out of state. Certainly, we are not making life better for either the citizens or the animals of Texas.

I greatly appreciate getting to work with each of you. This has been an incredible learning experience for me, and I will certainly be observing how things progress in the future.

Yours truly,
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