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Jared Brust

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Dear Jared,

I write to you today regarding Local Law 12 of 2002, which requires the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (The Health Department) to submit monthly reports on the number of healthy animals euthanized by Animal Care Centers of NYC (ACC).

As you know, ACC, which is the City-contracted animal shelter, does not euthanize healthy animals. The Department will continuously show a record of zero healthy animals euthanized each month.

Through our discussions with Council, this report will be submitted for a waiver request during the next round of local laws considered by the Report and Advisory Board Review Commission.

Please allow this letter to serve as confirmation of the above-mentioned information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Fagnoli".

Brian Fagnoli

Director of Legislative Affairs

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