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ATTENTION: Animal Research Ethics Board

Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE-HOMING RESEARCH ANIMALS**

I am writing to you today in hopes that you will consider re-homing animals used in research.

As someone who cares about how animals are treated in this country, I’m asking you to consider releasing them from your care once your research is completed.

I believe that the work you do is inspired by your care for humans and animals, and I am asking that you extend that care even after their service.

I understand that the Canadian Council on Animal Care (CCAC) is reviewing their End of Study protocol. I am hopeful that the re-homing of animals becomes standard practice.

I believe there are organizations in Canada who are experienced in working with special needs animals and that you could reach out to them.

As a university, I hold you to a higher standard of ethics and believe that it is in your interest to reflect the ideals that we as Canadians hold. Re-homing animals who could go on to experience freedom and love is an act of compassion and would be looked upon favourably by the public at large.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to future change.

Best Regards,