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Mr. Alistair MacGregor, M.P.
Room 519, Confederation Building
House of Commons
Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. MacGregor:

Thank you for your correspondence concerning the animal cruelty provisions of the *Criminal Code*. I regret the delay in responding.

Our government believes that animal cruelty is an important issue. I would like to assure you that we intend to review all options to improve any gaps in protection resulting from the existing animal cruelty provisions of the *Criminal Code*, including the definition of bestiality and the offences relating to animal fighting. As part of this initiative, we are committed to ongoing consultation with stakeholders and parliamentarians.

Thank you again for writing.

Respectfully,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to be "Jody Wilson-Raybould", written in a cursive style.

The Honourable Jody Wilson-Raybould