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March 13, 2013

The Honorable Paul Zellerbach Riverside County District Attorney

Dear Mr. Zellerbach:

I am writing today to add my name to the more than 30,000 signatures collected by my friends at PETA on a petition encouraging the Riverside County District Attorney's Office to file criminal charges against the people responsible for the cruel and needless suffering of more than 18,000 animals at Global Captive Breeders (GCB) in Lake Elsinore, Calif.

I was discouraged to learn that your office has yet to take any action against the owner of GCB or its employees, despite having been presented in December 2012 with compelling evidence—including expert veterinary reports, video footage, and photos—that a huge number of animals at GCB had died or were dying and enduring unimaginable suffering. I understand that since then, you have received additional evidence of cruelty to animals gathered by humane officers and veterinary experts during the almost week-long animal seizure in December. As an expectant mother, I was particularly heartbroken to see <u>photos</u> of ailing mother rats with open wounds on their bodies who stood guard protectively over their dead or dying babies in the filthy plastic tubs that they were confined to without access to adequate food, water, or even moderately fresh air to breathe.

As you no doubt know, the action taken at GCB was the largest rescue of neglected animals in the history of the state of California and also the largest seizure of rats in U.S. history. I implore you, too, to take action and send the strong and compassionate message that cruelty to animals is taken seriously and will not be tolerated in Riverside County. Justice must be served for the unspeakable suffering endured by countless animals at GCB.

Thank you so much for your prompt attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing that charges have been filed. I can be reached through PETA's Michelle Cho.

Sincerely yours,

Jenna Dewan-Tatum