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Dear Ms. Antonoff:

On behalf of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals—PETA entities have more than 9 million members and supporters globally—I wanted to congratulate you since *The New York Times*, no less, named your animal-friendly Parker Puffer jacket the "it" coat of the season. The farfalle design is far-*fetching*, and everyone who wears it looks simply scrumptious. We also wanted to extend a heartfelt thank-you for making this jacket with high-quality, animal-free poly down fill instead of feathers stolen from ducks and geese. Your coat exudes personality while allowing birds to keep *their* coats and express *their* personalities. As a token of our appreciation, please enjoy this pasta-decorated vegan cake. (We suggest eating it without marinara sauce.)

As you seem to know, the down industry is inhumane and unsustainable. PETA has released nine exposés revealing the cruelty that birds used for their feathers endure. More recently, PETA Asia investigators visited duck farms and slaughterhouses in Vietnam that supply companies selling falsely labeled "responsible" down and filmed ducks crammed into filthy sheds on painful wire flooring or confined to dirt lots strewn with feces. They were denied any opportunity to engage in their most natural and meaningful behavior, such as bathing, swimming, and foraging. Slaughterhouse workers stabbed ducks' throats while they were still conscious and cut off live birds' feet. And duck and goose farms, like all animal agriculture operations, wreak havoc on the environment.

In welcome contrast, your Parker Puffer offers further proof that animals need not be exploited for fashion. We look forward to seeing many more of your fun, animal-free creations. With vegan materials, the *pasta*bilities are endless.

Sincerely,

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