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VIA EMAIL (ShriyaS@peta.org)

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RE: Permanent suspension of Use of Live Animals in Surgical and Emergency
Medical Residency Training Programs at the University of Tennessee College of
Medicine (Chattanooga)

Dear Ms. Swaminathan,

In your letter dated January 18, 2022, you requested that UTHSC suspend its use of live animals in its surgical and emergency medical residency training programs at its College of Medicine's ("COM") Chattanooga campus.

Over the past year, we have had the opportunity to evaluate the continuing use of live animals in these surgical and emergency medical training programs and we have concluded that this will no longer be a necessary component of this training.

This correspondence is in follow up to inform you that the use of live animals in the surgical and emergency medical training programs at the COM's Chattanooga campus is being suspended effective immediately.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter Buckley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Respectfully,

Peter F. Buckley, MD
Chancellor
The University of Tennessee Health Science Center