

8th May 2008

To : Panel on Food & Environmental Hygiene,
Legislative Council Secretariat,
Legislative Council Building,
8 Jackson Road,
Central, Hong Kong.

Re: Letter of Support for the New Proposed Amendments to the
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Bill.

Meeting: 13th May 2008, 2:30pm - Legislative Council Building.

Dear Sirs and Madams,

It is no secret that unregulated breeding is creating unhealthy puppies. There are too many Breeders that are more concerned with putting dollars in their pockets instead of the welfare of the mother and her puppies.

In conjunction, the number of pet animals imported into Hong Kong should also be regulated. At this time there is no limit as to how many pet animals can be brought into Hong Kong by local breeders or hobby breeders. These animals are coming into an already over populated animal market. Just take a look at the 25,000 dogs put to sleep each year in Hong Kong as we have too many dogs and not enough homes for them.

Puppies within a few days of their birth should be registered with a vet and a birth certificate issued, then followed up with a micro-chip implant and vaccinations & paperwork filed. This would make every animal traceable in Hong Kong thus making it easier to punish offenders who break the law.

In addition, Abandoning an animal should be considered as an act of Animal Cruelty and heavy fines should be enforced on the offender. Repeat offenders should be imprisoned.

Animals need your help .

Yours Sincerely,
Susan B. Wong,