



Outlook

Please Support Ordinance LR31.072 — Humane Pet Shop Bill

From AJ Benson <ajandthepups@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 4:40 AM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

Dear Members of the Stamford Board of Representatives,

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Sincerely,

Amir Benson

275 Fairfield Ave. 06902

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From nicolle c <nicolle987c@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,
Nicolle

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From Fiona Angelov <finoangel@hotmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Fiona Angelov

539 High Ridge Road , Stamford. Ct 06905

finoangel@hotmail.com



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From Hannah Prater <hannahsprater@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Hannah Ravech

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From Carrie Wilcox <carrie.wilcox1119@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Carrie Wilcox

30 Merriman Rd Stamford 06905

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From Pamela Carlton <pcarlton@springboardleadership.com>

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Sincerely,
Pamela Carlton
47 Walnut Ridge Ct.
Stamford, CT 06905

Pamela Carlton
President, Springboard - Partners in Cross Cultural Leadership
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From Gmail <ayushahuja30@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,
Theresa Cassidy
1519 Shippin Avenue
Stamford, CT 06902

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From Pulkit Sinha <pulkitsinha@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,
Pulkit Sinha
850 Pacific St, Stamford

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From Valeri Hernandez <valhez.0228@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
Valeri Gonzalez Hernandez
83 morgan st
203-570-7237

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From Kim Roach <kimroach7667@gmail.com>

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From Asthina Badcock <asthinabadcock1@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Asthina Badcock

121 Towne St, apt 418

Stamford CT 06902

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From Steve Potash <spotash1@optimum.net>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 8:11 AM

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Sincerely,
Steven Potash
88 Hirsch Road, Stamford 06905

Sent from my iPhone

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From Gillian Stieglitz <gillianstieglitz@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Gillian Stieglitz

100 Tresser Blvd. Stamford CT, 06901

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From Annelyse Lopez <annelyselopez@me.com>

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Annelyse Lopez

114 strawberry hill Ave Stamford ct

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From Keith Schuman <keith@schumanlawfirm.com>

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Sincerely,

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From Yenifer d <yeniferdeleon77@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,
Yenifer Deleon
369 hope st Stamford ct 06906
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From Rachel Weiss <rachel.weiss.1002@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Rachel Weiss

1315 Washington Blvd

Apt 213

Stamford, CT

06902

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Ban the sales of Dogs and Cats - LR31.072 - Public testimony

From Patricia Harmon <pat@patriciaharmon.com>**Date** Tue 11/4/2025 10:54 AM**To** Board of Representatives <bdreps@StamfordCT.gov>

To The Honorable President of the Board Nina Sherwood, and to the rest of the honorable members of the Board,

My name is Pat Harmon, and as a former resident of Stamford, CT, I wish to testify my strong support for an ordinance banning the sale of dogs and cats from USDA-registered breeding facilities.

I attended the hearing on this issue in 2019 and was, quite frankly, appalled, that this was not passed. As a volunteer for Humane World (formerly The Humane Society of the United States), I learned that the stores selling pets source their animals from brokers for the puppy mill industry. In fact, I went into two of the stores in Stamford and every single cage had listed on their tags names of notorious puppy mills from where the animals came.

It is known that the mothers of these dogs are confined throughout their lifetime in cages, often in filthy conditions, with little or no vet care. They are treated merely as breeding machines until they are spent. Their paws become deformed as many languish in metal cages, often stacked one on top of the other, left in their own feces. No animal should be treated this way.

What I found particularly distressing about the situation in Stamford is that despite the fact that the vast majority of board members voted for the ordinance, it did not go through. One lobbyist for the heinous puppy mill industry placed a call to the CT Department of Agriculture and all was suspended. In essence, profits became the priority over the complete disregard for the extreme cruelty and suffering of the animals. That is a shameful stain on Stamford.

Please don't let this happen again. More than eight states and over 500 U.S. localities have already enacted bans to restrict retail pet-store sales of dogs/cats/rabbits sourced from commercial breeders. It's time for Connecticut to find its conscience and do the same.

Pat Harmon
Previous address: 385 Janes Lane
Stamford, CT
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From Brittany Lindquist <lindquist.brittany1@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Brittany Lindquist

401 Commons Park S Unit 551

Stamford, CT 06902

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From susanlflagg@gmail.com <susanlflagg@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Susan Flagg
25 Forest St., Apt 10K
Stamford, CT 06901
susanlflagg@gmail.com

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From Leslie Glenn <leslierglenn@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,
Leslie Glenn
135 Fairview Avenue, Stamford 06902

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Leslie R. Glenn
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From Suzette Kraus <suzettekraus@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Suzette Kraus

186 Crystal Lake Rd, Stamford, CT 06905

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From sherry sears <sherryleesears@gmail.com>
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Sincerely,
Sherry L Sears
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(978)501-1551

sherryleesears@gmail.com

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From Andy Tolbert <videobiker@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,
Andy Tolbert
44 Pleasant street Apt. 26, Stamford CT 06901

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From Cara Battershall <carabattershall@gmail.com>

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Sincerely,

Cara Battershall
880 Pacific St.
Apt 1354
Stamford, CT 06902
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From califrose8@aol.com <califrose8@aol.com>
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Sincerely,
Carrie Rose
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Califrose8@aol.com

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From LAG <lagomez0607@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 1:39 PM

To Board of Representatives <bdreps@StamfordCT.gov>

November 4, 2025

To The Honorable President of the Board Nina Sherwood, and to the rest of the honorable members of the Board,

My name is Lynne Gomez, I am a former resident of Stamford, CT, would like to testify to my strong support for an ordinance banning the sale of dogs and cats from USDA-registered breeding facilities.

First and foremost, I want to thank you for your continued support and tireless effort to end the cruelty of puppy stores.

Having protested the puppy store formerly located on Long Ridge Road for almost a year; I find it disappointing that individuals have no concerns about the horrific environment the dogs being sold in these stores come from.

Mother dogs are confined to wire cages, stacked on top of each other their entire lives. They remain outside, enduring the harsh weather conditions. They are denied a proper diet, healthcare, and love. When they are no longer profitable, they are either discarded like trash or murdered.

Allowing these stores to remain open is a death sentence for all the animals languishing in CT's overcrowded shelters. Profit should not involve cruelty.

More than eight states and over 500 U.S. localities have already enacted bans to restrict retail pet-store sales of dogs/cats/rabbits sourced from commercial breeders. It's time for Connecticut to find its conscience and do the same.

Thank you again for your support.

Lynne A. Gomez
Ridgefield, CT
(Formerly Sylvan Knoll Rd / Stamford)

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lease Support Ordinance LR31.072 — Humane Pet Shop Bill

From annr5@aol.com <annr5@aol.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 1:41 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

Dear Members of the Stamford Board of Representatives,

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It seems the ban on puppy stores from NY has caused puppy shops to open in CT. I often walk by the puppy store, "Smart Puppies for Sale, Inc" and they have puppies in the hot, empty window with no bedding or things placed for comfort. Often, I see a shop person in the back watching the monitors. Likely, these puppies are from irresponsible and unethical breeders and puppy mills.

Please stand with Stamford residents who care about animal welfare and consumer protection by supporting Ordinance LR31.072.

And then after this, focus on limiting smoke shops and how they appeal to children with their bright colored lights and sale of candy in clear view of patrons walking by (My 6 year old has been intrigued by these shops when we've walked by)

Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,
Anna Moschella

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Ban the Sales of Dogs and Cats - LR31.072 - Public testimony

From Grace Catalano <takaragrace285@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 1:57 PM

To Board of Representatives <bdreps@StamfordCT.gov>

I have lived in Stamford since 1985 and worked here since 1955. During the latter years I had become active in protesting the Pet Stores on Hope Street and Long Ridge Road where darling puppies from puppy mills were displayed in windows and when the protesters stopped by the man shut the door and turned out the lights and departed.

These puppy mills and pet stores don't care about the animals. In both instances they are caged in filthy conditions. Please lets get this ban on the road.

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Please support LR31072

From Suzanne Urban <suzanneurban@stamfordct.gov>

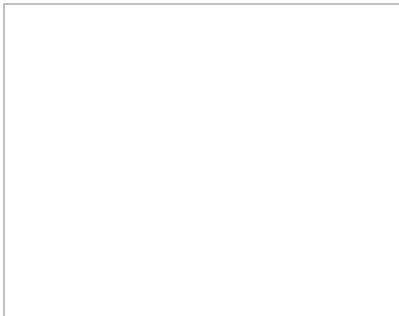
Date Tue 11/4/2025 2:16 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

Blocking puppy mills sales in Stamford is a necessity for Connecticut. With the glut of homeless pets due to backyard breeders, natural disasters, and negligent pet owners there are too few homes for innocent animals. Plus many of these animals could end up on the euthanasia list, a very cruel ending for any animal, and an expense for Stamford. I ask that you support this bill especially so it wouldn't increase the overpopulation of homeless animals.

Thank you.

Suzanne Urban
27 Elm Street
Windsor CT 06095



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Please support Ordinance LR31.072 - Humane Pet Shop Bill

From Anja Koppers <anja.koppers@gmail.com>
Date Tue 11/4/2025 2:27 PM
To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Very truly yours,

Anja Koppers

102 Woodside Green 2C

Stamford CT 06905

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Stop mill-to-pet shop

From Paolin Liu <poalonliu@icloud.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 3:14 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Cathy Liu

Stamford resident

Sent from my iPhone

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Please Support Ordinance LR31.072 — Humane Pet Shop Bill

From Benjamin Burgeson <b.burgeson@hotmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 3:24 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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I would also like to add, as an employee in the airline industry, I saw first hand the absolute barbarism in the "puppy mill" "industry." Earlier in my career I often flew small regional aircraft into out-of-the-way midwestern towns; sometimes coming out of those towns with upwards of eighteen (18) puppies in the unheated cargo hold of my aircraft. Please vote YES, it would really help bring some civility back to Connecticut.

Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Burgeson

21 Richmond Pl Unit 11

Stamford CT, 06902

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From Lisa Magoun <lisa.magoun@gmail.com>**Date** Tue 11/4/2025 3:32 PM**To** BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Lisa Magoun

10 Hazelwood Lane Stamford, CT

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Please Support Ordinance LR31.072 — Humane Pet Shop Bill

From Alister Montalvo <alistermontalvo12@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 3:50 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

Dear Members of the Stamford Board of Representatives,

As a Stamford resident, I'm writing to urge you to vote YES on Ordinance LR31.072, which would ban the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet shops. This important legislation will help end the puppy mill-to-pet shop pipeline, protect consumers from deceptive practices and sick puppy sales, and promote humane, ethical pet businesses in our community. No pet shop needs to sell live animals to be profitable, and no resident needs a pet shop to find the pet of their choice. Please stand with Stamford residents who care about animal welfare and consumer protection by supporting Ordinance LR31.072.

Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Alister Montalvo

61 Treat Ave, Stamford CT 06906

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LR.31.072, Regulating the sale of dogs and cats in pet stores - please add "RABBITS" to the ordinance

From Jenny Colucci <jenny@opinpets.org>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 4:05 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>; Board of Representatives <bdreps@StamfordCT.gov>

Dear Board of Representatives,

By way of introduction, I am a resident of Stamford and also a founding board member of OPIN Inc. (Outreach to Pets In Need). Our 501c3 animal welfare organization is Stamford based and has been a resource to the Stamford community of pets and the people who love them since 2007.

What normal person doesn't want what is best for animals? You've received many letters from community members requesting that you consider passing ordinance #LR.31.072 at the Nov. 5, 2025 meeting. Please add my name to the many concerned residents in Stamford and beyond who want Stamford to take a stance against the puppy-mill, cat-mill and rabbit-mill pipelines to pet stores.

In reviewing the text of the ordinance, I noticed that there was no mention of "rabbits" yet many people mention rabbits in their letters to the board, assuming they are included. Rabbits are the third most popular pet in the U.S., so I am hoping this is just an oversight and the final ordinance would include rabbits. Rabbit mills, like cat and dog mills also supply pet stores.

Within the last few months, I recall seeing three Nextdoor postings where people spotted domestic rabbits outdoors at parks within Stamford - perhaps abandoned Easter gifts, bought for the kids. They are cute until they grow and people realize they actually need to be cared for. Domestic rabbits can not survive outdoors like wild rabbits. They are vulnerable and become prey to wild animals.

There has been much investigation and documentation into the source of pets being sold in pet stores. These cats, dogs and rabbits come from mills (referred to as licensed USDA "breeders"). It sounds great, after all they are "licensed". But they are inhumane facilities and the animals are their money making "products".

And the pet stores? Have you heard of any pet store that refuses to sell an animal to a person who comes in with cash, a credit card or signs one of their predatory loan

agreements? They are in business to make money, not to care for animals. The animal's welfare, their product, is not a consideration.

Any responsible breeder will tell you, they would NEVER consider selling one of their animals to a pet store. Responsible breeders, unlike backyard breeders, have minimal litters, provide medical care for their animals, meet and vet potential buyers and have the buyer sign a binding contract.

Over the course of the years that OPIN has existed, we've taken in dogs sourced from pet stores that, if we hadn't taken them, would have been killed because the store was unable to sell the pups. Most memorable was a Boston Terrier puppy who was dragging his hind legs due to a spinal cyst, a Cocker Spaniel with a chronic respiratory infection and a pair of Biewer Terriers who became too old and unsocialized to be sold. These two pups were petrified when their feet felt grass for the first time.

We've also taken puppies from owners who, within a day or so, found out that their puppy suffered from the parvo virus, curable, but extremely expensive. Pet stores will not take returns and instead tell owners they are at fault by walking their puppy outdoors where they must have picked up the virus - it's never their fault in selling a sick puppy.

From a humane website: "The USDA is assigned the task of regulating these facilities and ensuring they meet some kind of minimum standards, but the agency rarely if ever enforces these regulations, with little or no punishment even for repeat violations. Apparently, the Animal Welfare Act does little if anything to help animals in puppy mills, restrained their entire lives in crates only inches bigger than their bodies. They can be denied social contact with other animals, bred as many times as they enter heat, then killed and dumped whenever their uterus shrivels.

Kitten mills are a carbon copy of all the negative aspects of puppy mills. Breeding cats live in small, cramped quarters, also in wire cages that damage legs and feet, covered in matted fur, and sleeping in overflowing litter boxes. Mothers are bred until they drop. Kittens are sick and dirty. They are kept in feces-stained pens, with no physical or mental stimulation, no view of the outside world, and no hope of ever leaving their enclosures. These poor cats suffer from infections, deformations, starvation and parasites.

Estimated 50% Bunnies Die Before Reaching Pet Shops

In rabbit mills, rabbits suffer the same atrocious conditions and high rates of disease. Most rabbits sold in pet stores are babies, only 3 months old, and almost half of them die from diseases or lack of care during the transport from the breeder to the pet shop."

So can't Stamford do its part to stop this barbaric practice by passing LR.31.072? If nothing else, the 31st Board of Representatives will be remembered for its humane

treatment of animals and how it began a trend that will hopefully spread across all of Connecticut, one city and town at a time.

Thank you for what you do to add a voice to the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Colucci

25 Cantwell Avenue

Stamford, CT 06905

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Please Support Ordinance LR31.072 -- Humane Pet Shop Bill

From Nina Glodstein <nglodstein@gmail.com>
Date Tue 11/4/2025 5:26 PM
To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,
Nina Glodstein
1 Greyrock Pl Apt 1051

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From Reilly Miller <reillymiller243@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 5:30 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Reilly Miller

1315 Washington Blvd

Apt 503

Stamford CT 06902

845-649-6547

Reilly Miller

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From Gabbie Volpetti <volpettig19@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 6:57 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Sincerely,

Gabbie Volpetti

77 Prospect Street, Apt 308 Stamford, CT 06901

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Please Support Ordinance LR31.072 — Humane Pet Shop Bill

From surfside1 <surfside1@bellsouth.net>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 7:16 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Please please shut down and do not allow pet stores to sell these animals that have come from back yard breeders and farms! They are overbred and usually die from being inbred and sick until they die or get turned into a shelter and go out the back door in a black GARBAGE bag! I know, I've worked, volunteered and rescued many many of these poor "throw away" animals.

Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,
Gina-Marie Marzano

16 Konandreas Drive, Stamford, CT 06903

***Kind regards,
Gina-Marie D. Marzano***

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Please Support LR31.072

From Amy Kretovics-Nazzaro <akretovics@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 8:38 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

All,

Please support the ban of puppy mills and ban the sales of puppies, cats, and rabbits in pet stores!!

Please for the safety of animals.

Thank you!!

Amy Kretovics Nazzaro
43 Autumn Ln, Stamford, CT 06906

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From John Denning <denningjohnc@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 9:25 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,
John Denning Jr
355 Atlantic St.

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Support for Ordinance LR31.072 — Humane Pet Shop Bill

From laurasalomon@gmx.net <laurasalomon@gmx.net>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 9:52 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for considering this.

Best regards,
Laura Salomon
61 Midland Ave
Stamford, CT 06906

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From Morgan Demartini <morgandem815@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 10:02 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

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Thank you for your time and leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,
Morgan DeMartini
Taylor Crima
100 COMMONS PARK N apt 417 Stamford ct 06902

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Take action on humane pet shops November 5th

From cyr_michelle0507@icloud.com <cyr_michelle0507@icloud.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 11:17 PM

To BOR_AllReps <BOR_AllReps@StamfordCT.gov>

Michellemarie Ferrara
108 Woodmere Road
Stamford Ct
06905

Please vote yes on LR31.072.

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Testimony in support of pending ordinances

From Jenny Li <jmailny@gmail.com>

Date Tue 11/4/2025 11:45 PM

To Board of Representatives <bdreps@StamfordCT.gov>

Dear Barbara and Honorable Members of the Board,

I'm writing to you as a concerned constituent and a resident of Rockledge Drive, Stamford, to express my strong support for the ordinance which bans the sales of dogs, cats, and rabbits.

I'm thankful for those who have worked tirelessly to continue to bring light into this issue. I'm glad that presently, there's an opportunity to take concrete legislature action in our city. I hope that you'll choose to protect animals from mistreatment.

I'm also in strong support of protecting our environment and public health with the updated Tree Ordinance, as well as phasing out gas-powered leaf blowers, respectively.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

Jenny Li-Michel
Stamford, CT

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