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FDA Commissioner Jane E. Henney
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, Maryland 20857

Dear Ms. Henney:

I am writing to you to voice my concern about the routine addition of medically important antibiotics to animal feed to promote growth. Given the alarming incidence of resistance developing in the use of antibiotics, it seems only prudent to limit their use to medically necessary situations. The

European Union has already banned antibiotics that are used by humans from animal feed, and this decision has been supported by the CDC and the WHO. I urge you to lend the weight of your office to the effort to do the same in this country.

Very truly yours,

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