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Dear Dr. Henney,

Because antibiotics can be used to fatten animals, farmers across the country started to administer these drugs routinely through their animals' feed. This was one of the main contributing factors in the growth of the factory farming industry.

Of the fifty million pounds of antibiotics produced every year in the United States, 40 percent is administered to animals—and a shocking 80 percent of that is used solely to promote growth. The result: Disease-causing bacteria such as salmonella are becoming resistant to antibiotics. This has been linked to antibiotic resistance in humans.

Hundreds of scientists and health professionals have urged the FDA to place a ban on the non-medicinal use of antibiotics on farm animals. Human health must and should come before cattle farmers' profits.

Please mandate this ban immediately.

Respectfully,

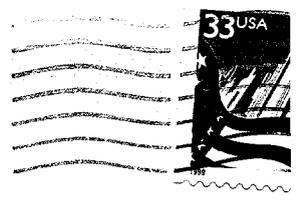
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