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Dear Dr. Kenney,

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I am writing you because of my concern regarding the overuse of antibiotics as growth promoters in livestock. I don't have any medical expertise, but it is fairly common knowledge that overuse can lead to resistance.

I was encouraged to read that the European Union has banned all growth promoting uses of antibiotics used in human medicine without causing financial hardship to the beef and poultry industries. If the participating European countries can find a successful way to produce safe meat for their consumers, we certainly can! In fact, we should have been the leaders!

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Please do what you can to promote the safe use of antibiotics. Thank you.

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