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Sir or Madam:

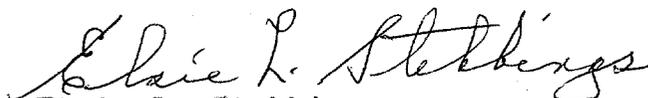
Last year, the USDA announced a landmark policy to stop purchasing meat from downed cows for the National School Lunch Program.

Animals who are too sick even to stand pose a health threat and should not be allowed to enter the human food chain.

Kindly grant petition 98P-0151/CP1 to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals for food.

Best wishes.

Yours truly,



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