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U.S. Food & Drug Administration,

I am writing you as a part of a growing consensus that the marketing and slaughter of downed animals is unacceptable. I urge you to grant petition 98P-0151/CP1 to prohibit the slaughter of downed animals for human food. Our National School Lunch Program should be reason enough — besides the obvious cruelty and abuse shown to already injured animals.

The safety for human consumption and the compassion for sick, and or injured animals should be enough reason.

Thank you, Joseph Benton

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