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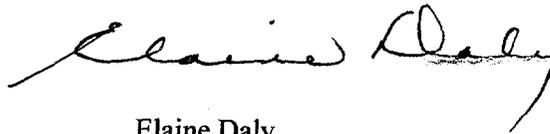
Jane E. Henney, FDA Commissioner
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Dear Madam:

I strongly protest against the FDA allowing livestock producers to routinely add medically important antibiotics, as well as hormones, to animal feed to promote the growth of these animals. Most bacteria are already becoming resistant to antibiotics, and I feel if we don't stop this practice now, that it may soon be too late! I also believe we are doing our children much harm by allowing hormones to be given animals, merely to increase the size of these animals. In most cases, we are only increasing the size of the American people (not in a very healthy manner) and causing young girls of 7 and 8 years of age to begin sexual development much too early.

The European Union has sensibly banned antibiotics used by humans from animal feed, a decision sensibly supported by the Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization. I ask you to stop protecting the U.S. meatpackers and drug companies and stop endangering the public's health.

Very truly yours,



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