

### Fighting Puppy Mills



In the article "Why We're Still Fighting Puppy Mills" (May/June), you imply that it is OK to keep livestock caged and mistreated, because they are livestock. By saying "It's legal to treat them like livestock, rather than what they are – companion animals," you are telling your readers that livestock animals are somehow inferior to pet animals, when in fact every single soul of the billions slaughtered each year could have been a beautiful companion. While I do understand your mission to focus on helping more traditional pets, animals living in abuse every single day in (factory) farms need our voice, too. No need to hurt them more than we already do.

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