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Subject: [EXTERNAL] CLS Animal Testing Letter
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 6:09:06 PM
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[CLS - Alameda Animal Testing Ordinance Final.pdf](#)

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April 16th, 2024

Alameda City Council
City Hall
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
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RE: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions (Item 7B)

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and City Council Members,

On behalf of the life sciences community, we oppose any attempts to regulate animal testing in the Life Sciences industry because it poses a critical problem for life-saving drug development and life sciences research.

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If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at schung@califesciences.org.

Sincerely,



Sam Chung
Vice President, State Government Relations
California Life Sciences

cc: Members, Alameda City Council

From: [Trish Spencer](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: Fwd: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 6:04:19 PM
Attachments: [SAB Letter - Alameda Animal Testing 041524\[43\].docx.pdf](#)

From: Peter Emtage <pemtage@santaanabio.com>
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2024 4:54:44 PM
To: CITYCOUNCIL-List@alamedaca.gov <CITYCOUNCIL-List@alamedaca.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions

To whom it may concern, attached please find a letter opposing any attempts to regulate animal testing in the life sciences industry. Best, Peter Emtage, CEO Santa Ana Bio



Peter Emtage, Ph.D.
CEO
Santa Ana Bio
1105 Atlantic Ave.
Alameda, CA 94501

April 15th, 2024

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On behalf of the employees of Santa Ana Bio and the life sciences community, we oppose any attempts to regulate animal testing in the life sciences industry because it poses a critical problem for life-saving drug development, life sciences research, and Alameda's economic health.

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Best regards,

DocuSigned by:

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From: [Trish Spencer](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Animal research ban
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 5:44:48 PM
Attachments: [4-16-24 AR ban.pdf](#)

From: Janet Davis <straughie@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 5:20:36 PM
To: Tony Daysog <TDaysog@alamedaca.gov>; Malia Vella <MVella@alamedaca.gov>; Tracy Jensen <tjensen@alamedaca.gov>; Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Animal research ban

Sent from my iPad

Dear Councilmember,

I urge a vote to ban animal research on city owned property. Rather than individually banning companies, such as Science Corp, a blanket ban makes sense. If the biotech industry takes hold on the former naval base, inevitably there will be monkey and dog labs, and an endless stream of animal research.

Alameda could make a progressive statement of values and move science forward at the same time.

Much improvement is needed in the health care industry. Our diseases are not cured, prevented, or even well understood. There is much money to be made off of how sick Americans are, often battling multiple chronic diseases. Animal research has been a component, reducing liability for big pharma, of this system. A bottle of pills to mask your symptoms and it is left to the patient to try and figure out how to restore yourself to health.

To truly have an effective health care system would mean concentrating efforts, and studying disease, in humans. If one is sick, one fights for a few minutes with a doctor, rarely has genetic testing, has to pay for laboratory tests of any kind. One has to try and get oneself into clinical trials, which is often impossible. A true health care system would mean epidemiological studies, and clinical study of humans. Finding out why we get our chronic diseases and how to cure and prevent them.

Alameda has a chance, with the ban, to apply mounting pressure to move scientific research forward to a time when human disease is cured, not just profited from. Companies will find other ways to bring their drugs and devices to market, and they will be less harmful and perhaps even human

relevant. Artificially creating disease in animals and profiting from it, has not resulted in human health.

Sincerely,

Janet Davis

From: [Foust, Rebecca @ Pleasanton](#)
To: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Cc: [Jay Atkinson](#); [Millado, Matt @ Dublin](#); [Montblanc, Stormy @ Alameda](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] City Council - Animal Testing Ban Response
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 5:23:50 PM
Attachments: [City of Alameda Animal Testing City Council Response_04162024.pdf](#)

Good evening,

On behalf of Paceline Investors, please see the attached letter response from Paceline Investors regarding the City of Alameda Animal Testing Ban.

Thank you.

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Radius at Harbor Bay

From: [Trish Spencer](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: Fwd: Importance of Animal Research and Testing
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 5:18:14 PM

From: Robert F Phalen <rfphalen@uci.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 5:13:31 PM
To: tspencer@alamedaca.gov <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Importance of Animal Research and Testing

Dear Trish Herrera Spencer, Council Member, Alameda,

As a Clinical Professor of Medicine at UC Irvine I have seen the important contributions of human and animal research and testing to the treatment and prevention of disease and injury. Without the animal contributions, cures and relief of suffering would not advance.

I urge you and your colleagues to not curb animal research and testing. These activities are tightly regulated and are not frivolous

Most Sincerely

Robert F. Phalen, PhD

Professor of Medicine, and Public Health

U.C. Irvine

From: [Arthur Salmon](#)
To: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Feedback on upcoming Proposed City ordinance 7-B
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 5:10:10 PM
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[Alameda City Council; Proposed Ordinance 7B Letter in Opposition Spectrum Project Management 240416.pdf](#)

Please see attached for the upcoming meeting this evening

thanks in advance
Arthur and the Spectrum Team

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11 April 2024

Re: Proposed City Ordinance 7-B; Introduction of Ordinance Amending the Alameda Municipal Code by Adding Section 7-9.9 (Animal Testing Ban) to Article 7-9 (General Provisions) of Chapter VII (Animal Control) to Prohibit Animal Testing and Experimentation on Property Owned or Controlled by the City of Alameda in its Proprietary Capacity. (City Attorney's Office 10023040)

Dear Alameda City Council;

I am writing to express my support for the continuation of animal testing within the rapidly growing Alameda Biotech community. While I understand there are concerns surrounding this practice, I firmly believe that it plays a crucial role in advancing basic scientific research and in continuing the growth and development of the scientific community in Bay Farm Island and beyond.

First and foremost, it is important to acknowledge the ethical considerations of animal testing. As a society, we have a responsibility to treat animals with respect, minimizing their suffering to the greatest extent possible. It is essential to recognize that animal testing is subject to strict regulations and oversight to ensure that it is conducted in the most humane manner possible. These strict guidelines apply to every jurisdiction, not just Alameda, and are regulated at Local, State and Federal levels as well as being guided by moral and ethical principles.

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From: [Baiter, Stephen, East Bay EDA](#)
To: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Alameda City Council Meeting Agenda - April 16, 2024 - Item 7-B
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 4:02:59 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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[City of Alameda Life Sciences Animal Testing April 2024.pdf](#)

Dear City of Alameda:

The East Bay Economic Development Alliance (East Bay EDA) is submitting the attached letter regarding tonight's [agenda](#) item 7-B regarding the *"Introduction of Ordinance Amending the Alameda Municipal Code by Adding Section 7-9.9 (Animal Testing Ban) to Article 7-9 (General Provisions) of Chapter VII (Animal Control) to Prohibit Animal Testing City of Alameda Page 7 Printed on 4/16/2024 City Council Meeting Agenda April 16, 2024 and Experimentation on Property Owned or Controlled by the City of Alameda in its Proprietary Capacity. (City Attorney's Office 10023040)"*

We appreciate your acknowledgement of this to the public record for this item.

Sincerely,



Stephen Baiter

Executive Director

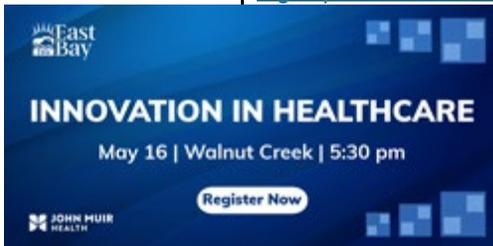
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April 16, 2024

Alameda City Council
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RE: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions

Dear Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft and Alameda City Councilmembers:

The East Bay Economic Development Alliance (East Bay EDA) is writing to oppose efforts to overregulate animal testing in the life sciences industry within city boundaries because it poses a critical problem for life-saving drug development, life sciences research, and Alameda's economic health. For more than 30 years, East Bay EDA has brought together top leaders from business, economic development, education, labor, local government, philanthropy, research, and other key sectors to serve as the regional voice and networking resource for strengthening the economy, building the workforce and enhancing the quality of life in the East Bay.

While our organization has frequently remained on the sidelines about issues affecting individual East Bay cities, we believe this issue has larger implications for the region and therefore could not allow it to be left unaddressed. The life sciences industry is an economic engine in Alameda County, employing nearly 28,000 people with an average annual income of approximately \$165,000. The life sciences research, testing, and medical laboratories sector saw a 15% growth in average wage and 11.4 % growth in employment from 2020 to 2021. Additionally, approximately one-third of California's life sciences jobs do not require a college degree, including lab assistants and administrative staff. For these and other reasons, we believe that the City's Economic Development Strategic Plan appropriately identified the life sciences sector as one of the six key industries for future growth. A vote by the city's elected leaders to create additional local regulatory barriers on this industry conflicts with the City's Economic Development Strategies Plan and will stymie the future growth of this sector in Alameda.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (510) 272-3874 or stephen@eastbayeda.org.

Sincerely,

Stephen Baiter
Executive Director

From: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Cc: [Jennifer Ott](#)
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Ban on Animal Testing
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 10:40:11 AM

From: Frank Matarrese <f.j.matarrese@gmail.com>
Date: April 16, 2024 at 7:13:46 AM PDT
To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ban on Animal Testing

Hello Marilyn,

I hope you and your family are doing well! It's been a while. I've only marginally follow what's going on in Alameda, but came across a proposed ban on animal testing property owner controlled by the City of Alameda. I'm assuming that a potential tenant at the base is interested in doing animal testing. As I haven't read the whole report.

having spent my working career in medical product development and manufacturing and having worked in and run an animal facility early in my career, I there are layers of regulations and oversight meant to prevent animal abuse and inhumane treatment. The FDA recently listed requirements for animal testing in new drug products, and allowing for in vitro testing as a replacement, animal testing remains as critical for new drugs. We would not have had a safe COVID-19 vaccine without animal testing.

I understand the concern about animal testing and I believe that science will eventually lessen or eliminate the need for animal testing a new drug development but I would not support a ban on animal testing during this period of transition from animal base testing to in vitro testing methods.

I believe that the ban proposed for Alameda would only serve to reduce Alameda's chances of being home to potentially cutting edge science because there is no FDA ban and companies including innovate startups could easily find other places to locate.

I hope you consider this and again I hope all is well with you.

Frank

From: [Francesca at A.R.M. Team](#)
To: mezzyashcart@alamedaca.gov; tdaysog@alamedaca.gov; [Malia Vella](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] City Council meeting April 16. 2024 Animal testing ban on City property
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 8:59:52 PM
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[image003.png](#)

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

Following my prior communications (excerpt below) I'm writing now to respectfully urge you to support a ban on animal testing on City properties and vote for ORDINANCE OPTION 'A', thus echoing the sentiments of a majority of Alameda residents.

___ Excerpt from prior communication (...with heartfelt thanks for hearing us!)

As a resident of Alameda since 1987 and properties owner, please count me in as a vehement opponent to SCIENCE CORP becoming a tenant of our city. My stance and that of many other residents is that we cannot for the sake of a few revenue dollars into the city's coffers, silence our humanity.



Can you picture yourself here?

Monkeys and other “experimentally desirable” animals are SENTIENT beings that feel pain, anguish, and terror just like you and me. ___

It is serendipitous that such a momentous decision is before our elected officials just as science is moving away from animal live testing, and Congress has taken the unprecedented step of passing a bill effective 2024 which no longer requires animal testing for drugs. This significant position speaks volume despite the millions invested in the breeding, stocking, and maintenance of these lab animals, who until now have been destined to a government-sanctioned atrocious life and a cruel death as the only escape.

Alameda is positioned to become part of this honorable movement, having the advantage of a platform that can support and market city owned spaces to non-animal testing facilities.

Once known for its naval base and now viewed as a safe and clean enclave, our city holds the unique opportunity to craft a new marketable identity with ingenious branding and become known as the little city with the big heart.



Respectfully,
Francesca Battani Strucksberg
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Alameda 94502



From: [Trish Spencer](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: Fwd: Animal Testing Ordinance – File No.: 2024-3896
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 7:34:02 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[Alameda City File No. 2024-3896 - CCCC Comments.pdf](#)

From: Alex Khan <Alex@chroniccareca.org>
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2024 5:48:33 PM
To: Alex Khan <Alex@chroniccareca.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Animal Testing Ordinance – File No.: 2024-3896

Dear Honorable Councilmember,

Please accept the attached letter regarding the proposed animal testing ordinance, submitted on behalf of the California Chronic Care Coalition.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Best regards,

Alex Khan

Policy Counsel

California Chronic Care Coalition

(916) 300-5179

www.californiachroniccare.org



April 15th, 2024

Alameda City Council
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Alameda, CA 94501

RE: Animal Testing Ordinance – File No.: 2024-3896

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and City Council Members,

On behalf of the California Chronic Care Coalition and the millions of patients for whom we advocate, we support the inclusion of a reasonable exemption to the proposed animal testing prohibition to read:

“No person shall engage in or permit animal testing or experimentation on any property owned or controlled by the City of Alameda in its proprietary capacity. with the exception of any property owned or controlled by the City of Alameda in its proprietary capacity and zoned AP-E1 (Enterprise-1), AP-E2 (Enterprise-2), AP-E3 (Enterprise-3) or AP-E4 (Enterprise-4), **where animal testing or experimentation may be performed as part of research related to anticipated or actual United States Food and Drug Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, United States Environmental Protection Agency or other regulatory filings related to human or animal therapeutics, vaccines, devices and parasiticides.**”

CCCC is a unique alliance of more than 30 leading consumer health organizations, including physician and provider groups representing Californians living with chronic conditions. We advise and promote the collaborative work of policy makers, industry leaders, and patient-centered stakeholders emphasizing access to affordable, quality healthcare focusing on all levels of prevention, coordinated care, and the wellness and longevity of patients.

The use of animal testing for drugs, medical devices, vaccines, and chemical development products is not only heavily-regulated by the federal government—it is also a critical component of the medical research that unlocks new treatments and improves quality of life for millions of Californians and patients throughout the world. For decades, scientists have worked to significantly reduce and replace animal use in their research whenever possible and refine the methods and treatment of animals. Although new technologies have emerged—including AI, induced pluripotent stem cells, and organoid technologies as alternatives to animal studies—animal testing remains a necessary component of the medical research that patients rely on.

When researchers cannot eliminate the use of all animals in their research, they follow rigorous ethical guidelines governing the use of laboratory animals, including a review of all activities by an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), as mandated by the Public Health Service (PHS) Policy, USDA Regulations, and voluntary accreditation bodies such as the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care.



To ensure life-saving medical research continues to thrive in this community, we respectfully ask the Alameda City Council to consider these factors before implementing restrictions for animal research on city-managed properties.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Alex Khan, Senior Policy Counsel, at alex@chroniccareca.org or (916) 701-8999.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Liz Helms".

Liz Helms
President & CEO
California Chronic Care Coalition

From: [Donna Fletcher](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [Lara Weisiger](#); [Jennifer Ott](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 4/16 City Council Agenda Item, 7B regarding Animal Testing Ban
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 7:11:20 PM

Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

I am so happy to see the Animal Testing Ban amendment come before you at tomorrow night's City Council Meeting. I'm writing today to add my voice to others who are asking for your support of this ban--*Yes, on Ordinance Option A!*

As I've learned, testing science is moving away from animal lab testing. And Congress recently passed a bill, effective this year, that no longer requires animal testing for medicinal drugs. I would like to see our show this same leadership on the issue, consistent with our reputation and policy decisions as a compassionate community that doesn't shy away from taking a stand for its values.

Please approve the amendment to Article 7-9 of Chapter VII of the Municipal Code to Prohibit Animal Testing and Experimentation on Property Owned or Controlled by the City of Alameda.

Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,

Donna Fletcher
112 Centre Court

From: [Peter Emtage](#)
To: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 4:54:44 PM
Attachments: [SAB Letter - Alameda Animal Testing 041524\[43\].docx.pdf](#)

To whom it may concern, attached please find a letter opposing any attempts to regulate animal testing in the life sciences industry. Best, Peter Emtage, CEO Santa Ana Bio



Peter Emtage, Ph.D.
CEO
Santa Ana Bio
1105 Atlantic Ave.
Alameda, CA 94501

April 15th, 2024

Alameda City Council
City Hall
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
Alameda, CA 94501

RE: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and City Council Members,

On behalf of the employees of Santa Ana Bio and the life sciences community, we oppose any attempts to regulate animal testing in the life sciences industry because it poses a critical problem for life-saving drug development, life sciences research, and Alameda's economic health.

In Alameda County, the life sciences industry is an economic engine – employing nearly 28,000 people with an average annual income of approximately \$165,000. The life sciences research, testing, and medical laboratories sector saw a 15% growth in average wage and 11.4 % growth in employment from 2020 to 2021. Additionally, approximately one-third of California's life sciences jobs do not require a college degree, including lab assistants and administrative staff.

The City's Economic Development Strategic Plan identifies the life sciences sector as one of the six key industries for future growth. The creation of regulatory barriers directly conflicts with the City's Economic Development Strategies Plan and with the ability of this sector to grow in Alameda.

The use of animal testing for drugs, medical devices, vaccines, and chemical development products has been heavily discussed and is a critical component of research and development for the life sciences sector. For decades, the life sciences industry has worked to significantly reduce or replace animal use in new therapies whenever possible and refine the methods and treatment of animals. Although new technologies have emerged – including AI, induced pluripotent stem cells, and

organoid technologies as alternatives to animal studies – there are still federal regulatory requirements the life sciences industry must meet.

When the industry cannot eliminate the use of all animals in research, it adheres to rigorous ethical guidelines governing the use of laboratory animals – including a review of all activities by an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), as mandated by the Public Health Service (PHS) Policy, USDA Regulations, and voluntary accreditation bodies such as the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care.

Alameda’s life sciences industry is invested in this community. Many of these companies are “born” here, and they want to remain committed, thoughtful leaders and be a company this community is proud to have in its neighborhood. Although not all life sciences companies initially conduct animal testing, it is critically important to be available as an option, if required, as a condition of federal approval.

This industry improves lives with its cutting-edge, innovative, life-saving therapies. To ensure this sector can thrive in this community, we respectfully ask the Council to consider these factors before implementing limitations surrounding the use of city-managed properties to understand the implications better.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at pemtage@santaanabio.com or the address above.

Best regards,

DocuSigned by:

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Peter Emtage, Ph.D.

CEO

Santa Ana Bio

1105 Atlantic Ave, Suite 104

Alameda, CA 94501

Phone: 858-705-2660

From: [Matt Regan](#)
To: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Item 7B animal testing
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 4:40:30 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
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[Alameda Life Sciences Letter.pdf](#)

Dear Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft and Council,

Please find attached the Bay Area Council's letter of opposition to Item 7B on the Agenda for tomorrow's Council Meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions,

regards



Matt Regan

Senior Vice President

Phone: 415 298 0330

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April 16th, 2024

Alameda City Council
City Hall
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
Alameda, CA 94501

RE: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and City Council Members,

The Bay Area Council is a 78 year-old employer sponsored public policy organization representing over 300 of the San Francisco Bay Area's largest employers. We work on our region's most pressing issues; transportation, health, housing affordability, climate change, social equity, and water, and our mission is to maintain this region's economic vitality in a sustainable and equitable manner.

We respectfully oppose item 7B before you at Council on April 16; the misguided attempt to regulate animal testing in the life sciences industry. Should it move forward, it would pose a critical problem for life-saving drug development, life sciences research, medical device development as well as Alameda's economic health and position of international prominence in the life science industry.

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The City's Economic Development Strategic Plan identifies the life sciences sector as one of the six key industries for future growth. The creation of regulatory barriers directly conflicts with the City's Economic Development Strategies Plan and with the ability of this sector to grow in Alameda.

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Alameda's life sciences industry is invested in this community. Many of these companies are "born" here, and they want to remain committed, thoughtful leaders and be a company this community is proud to have in its neighborhood. Although not all life sciences companies initially conduct animal testing, it is critically important to be available as an option, if required, as a condition of federal approval. Companies here are at the forefront of gene therapy and other scientific breakthroughs that are curing diseases and improving the lives of cancer patients, people living with diabetes, HIV, depression, and countless other ailments.

This industry improves lives with its cutting-edge, innovative, life-saving therapies. To ensure this sector can thrive in this community, we respectfully ask the Council to consider these factors before implementing limitations surrounding the use of city-managed properties to understand the implications better.



Matt Regan
Senior Vice President Public Policy
Bay Area Council

From: [Aycock-Williams, Ari](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#)
Cc: [CityCouncil-List](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [Tony Daysog](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Ordinance on banning animal testing
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 2:42:50 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[letter to Ashcraft.pdf](#)

/15/24

From: Dr. Ari Aycock-Williams, Veterinarian

To: Alameda City Council

City Hall

2263 Santa Clara Avenue

Alameda, CA 94501

RE: Life Sciences Animal Testing Ordinance

Dear Mayor Ashcraft :

I want to register my opposition to the pending Ordinance to restrict the use of animal models in biomedical research in Alameda. Such a ban on animals would delay and possibly block life-saving drug development and medical device innovation that not only Alameda residents need, but citizens of the State, the Nation, and the World. California is the leader in biomedical research and the critical research process we call “Benchtop to Bedside” - the discovery, development, testing, clinical trials, and eventual approval by the FDA, benefiting countless human and animal patients. The role animal models play in drug, medical device, and vaccine development is not only heavily regulated by the federal and state laws and regulations, governing principles, and international treaties, it remains critical not for ease or lack of innovation, but because of scientific necessity and requirements of regulatory agencies.

For decades, scientists have worked to significantly reduce, refine, and replace animal use in research. We call these “The 3Rs”, and this process has proven to be and continues as a successful endeavor. Alternatives to animal models are regularly and enthusiastically used and sought whenever possible. However, some research needs to progress to a whole, living system as a necessary component of the biomedical research process to ensure efficacy and safety to all patients.

Research with animal models only begins after investigation of past research to eliminate duplication, refining research protocols with a close eye to animal welfare, reducing the number of animals needed, and replacing animal models wherever possible, and the approval of an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, as mandated by the federal Animal Welfare Act. Researchers are strong advocates of animal welfare and are rigorous in developing and following ethical guidelines governing the use of laboratory animals – including a review of all activities by an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) as mandated by the Animal Welfare Act, the NIH, the standards set by the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, and seeking voluntary accreditation such as that of the AAALAC International (formerly Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care), the gold standard of animal care.

To ensure life-saving medical research continues to thrive in this community, I respectfully ask you to support research, and decline to approve the proposed Ordinance before the Alameda City Council to implement restrictions for animal research on city-managed properties.

Human and animal patients require biomedical research, and biomedical research still requires

animal models of research. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Ari Aycock-Williams DVM

Dr. Ari Aycock-Williams D.V.M. D.A.C.L.A.M

(She/Her/Hers)

Executive Director

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Department of Animal Resources

From: [Reyla Graber](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Lara Weisiger](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Agenda Item 7B So Many Options? Please vote for Option A.
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 2:28:18 PM

Dear Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

Firstly I support the animal testing ban and option A before you this evening, Agenda item 7B. I urge you to pass it.

Secondly, I have concerns and I hope some of you do also about the fact that 7B and the proposed ban now includes 2 options.

Why? Or perhaps the question is- How?

A brief history of this issue, shows that it took literally months, after being submitted by 2 Council Members, Trish Spencer and Malia Vella, to be finally heard by the Council and voted upon by a yes vote 3 to 2.

The issue then passed to Staff to prepare appropriate legislative words which would ban animal testing on all city

properties. That was extent of what was voted upon by Council. Period.

However, Staff has now prepared a report which includes not only the legislative wording for option A(which the Council was voted upon) but also an "Option B".

How could this legally or ethically or policy wise be appropriate? Do you really think so?

Please, will you think about this process and what has happened here?

Why should it take months and months and 2 Council members for the issue to be heard, and now in the space of

1/1/2 months the Staff come up with option B which negates everything achieved in Option A.

Perportedly a Council Member raised this idea to Staff. Well, so what? If this Council Member is in favor of another

option, why doesn't she or he raise it at 4/16/ council meeting? She or he had time to think about it beforehand.

Or raise the question tomorrow evening on 4/16

Why is it appropriate or proper for one council member (not 2 as initially required) to place a second

option B out there through staff?

If Council Members have the individual right to screw things up on an adhoc basis, getting Staff involved and coming up belatedly with an option B--

Then may I, as a long time Alameda resident, with hundreds of supporting residents, now present Option C :

Option C would ban animal testing throughout all of Alameda.

And yes, after all that has gone on before, I do feel that Option C should also be presented on 4/16.

However, if you can't entertain my Option C for one reason or another, then I do urge you to vote for the original option, Option A.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Reyla Graber

From: [Brian Warren](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [Malia Vella](#)
Cc: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] File #2024-3896, Animal Testing, Letter of Opposition
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 11:50:49 AM
Attachments: [City of Alameda Letter 04.15.24.pdf](#)

Good morning Mayor Ashcraft and City Council Members:

Please fine the attached letter expressing our opposition to File #2024-3896, related to animal testing on city owned or controlled property, included on the April 16, 2024, City Council agenda. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Brian Warren
Senior Director, State Government Affairs

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April 15, 2024

The Honorable Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
Mayor, City of Alameda
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
Alameda, CA 94501

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and City Council Members:

On behalf of the Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO), I write to express our opposition to file number 2024-3896 on your April 16, 2024, agenda, a proposed ordinance that would prohibit biotechnology research and development using animal testing methods on property owned or controlled by the City of Alameda. We acknowledge the goal of reducing or eliminating the need for animal testing in research, however no alternative currently exists that could replace animal testing in the research processes necessary to bring innovative biotechnology products to patients. This ordinance would therefore not stop animal testing; it would merely deter innovative biotechnology companies from basing their operations in Alameda.

BIO is the world's largest advocacy association representing member companies, state biotechnology groups, academic and research institutions, and related organizations across the United States and in 30+ countries. BIO members are involved in the research and development of innovative healthcare, agricultural, industrial and environmental biotechnology products.

Modern biotechnology provides breakthrough products and technologies to combat debilitating diseases. Innovative medicines and cures help people lead longer, healthier lives and positively impact society by providing economic value far beyond their cost. To ensure these transformative therapies get to the people who need them, BIO is committed to advancing policies that foster innovation, fuel investment and encourage the entrepreneurial spirit that has made America the global leader in this cutting-edge field.

Progress has been made to increase use of alternative testing methods that do not use live animals for research purposes. However, animal testing remains a necessary part of biomedical research. Animals are used to understand disease mechanisms and in drug development. Animal testing also remains necessary in identifying promising compounds and assessing their efficacy in treating various diseases and conditions. Finally, before a potential therapy is administered to humans, animals are used to assess the potential toxicity and side effects of these substances.

Alternative testing methods have successfully allowed researchers to reduce animal testing, but the complex biological processes in humans and other animals have not yet been replicated in alternative methods. *In vitro* (cell culture) and *in silico* (computer modeling) techniques often simplify biological systems, which can limit their ability to capture the complexity of interactions within living organisms. Biological processes in animals are highly intricate and dynamic,

making it challenging to fully replicate them in a laboratory setting. Use of live animals provide the only whole-body response to potential therapies, allowing researchers to assess systemic effects, metabolism, and interactions with various organs and tissues. *In vitro* models typically focus on specific cell types or tissues, which may not fully represent the integrated response of an entire organism. Lastly, while *in vitro* and *in silico* models can provide valuable insights into drug behavior and toxicity, they may not always accurately predict how drugs will behave in a live organism.

Progress in the development and use of alternative testing methods led to changes in federal law that open the door to a future without the need for animal testing. However, the federal Food and Drug Administration has not yet finalized regulations or provided guidance for approval of drugs or biologics using alternative testing methods. At this time, animal testing provides the only viable option for the research and development that bring new therapies to patients.

We respect the animals involved in our research and treat them humanely. We also understand the ethical considerations with live animal testing and for that reason remain committed to the “three R’s” of animal research: replacement, reduction, and refinement. Until alternative testing methods exist that can adequately replace the need for animal testing, we oppose efforts to limit or prohibit the use of animals. BIO is committed to speaking up for the millions of families around the globe who depend upon our success. We will drive a revolution that aims to cure patients, protect our climate, and nourishes humanity.

Sincerely,



Brian Warren
Senior Director, State Government Affairs

From: [Kara Theiding](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Trish Spencer](#)
Cc: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please vote to ban animal testing in Alameda and vote for Option A
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 9:33:09 AM

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

I have been an Alameda resident for 17 years, and I'm writing to request that you support a ban on animal testing on City properties.

I am a registered nurse/nurse practitioner, and while I understand the need to test medicine and equipment, I do not support testing on animals. Animals cannot consent to testing, and humans too often put money before humane treatment of animals. Thankfully, science is moving away from animal lab testing. Researchers now recognize that animal models often fail to provide results that generalize from one group to another. Moreover, in 2022, President Biden signed the FDA Modernization Act 2.0 into law; this law supersedes the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetics Act of 1938 that required animal testing as part of every new drug protocol before a drug could be brought to market.

We are moving in the right direction in how we think about medicine and testing. There is a problem, however: the U.S. animal testing market was valued at \$4.67 billion in 2019 and expected to continue to grow. There is an industry invested in profiting from animal testing although millions are wasted in unethical biomedical research with questionable results.

I moved to Alameda because I wanted to belong to its kind, reputable community. As Alamedans, we should uphold our city's legacy and image. We should not support the establishment of an animal testing facility or rent properties to industries that engage in inhumane practices. Instead, we should encourage the establishment of businesses with ethical and positive values that reflect our community.

I am a taxpayer. I support Alameda. I am vested in seeing how City properties are put to use, especially if that use is not in line with City values and changes in scientific practice. Alameda can show the way forward by holding the line.

I urge you to vote **for** the animal testing ban on City properties and to vote **for** Option A

Thank you for your time.

Kara Theiding
112 Avington Road
Alameda, CA 94502

From: [Johnson, Colena](#)
To: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Alameda Proposed City Ordinance Against Animal Research- ACLAM Comment
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 7:22:16 AM
Attachments: [ACLAM Comment Re Alameda Proposed City Ordinance Against Animal Research.pdf](#)

Please find enclosed a comment from the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM) regarding the Alameda Proposed City Ordinance Against Animal Research.

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April 12, 2024

Jennifer Ott, City Manager
Alameda City Council
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
Alameda, CA 94501

RE: Ordinance Amending Chapter VII (Animal Control) of Alameda Municipal Code to Prohibit Animal Testing and Experimentation on Property Owned or Controlled by the City of Alameda

Dear Ms. Ott & Alameda City Council Members:

The American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM) appreciates the opportunity to respond on behalf of its membership in opposition to the pending Alameda municipal ordinance to restrict the use of animal models in biomedical research in Alameda, California. ACLAM is recognized by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) as the certifying organization for laboratory animal medicine, a recognized specialty within the veterinary medical profession. Our membership includes more than 1,100 Diplomates, the majority of whom are responsible for the care, welfare, and humane use of laboratory animals used in biomedical research.

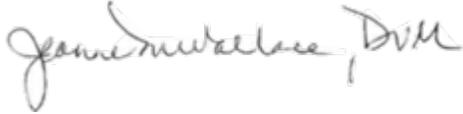
Use of animal models is critical to drug, medical device, and vaccine development. ACLAM supports efforts to replace, reduce, and refine the use of animals in drug and vaccine development. However, new drug and vaccine testing technologies to realize this vision are still many years away. Use of animals in biomedical research is heavily regulated by federal and state law. As veterinarians responsible for the humane care and use of laboratory animals, we oversee the application of these laws in the conduct of lifesaving biomedical research. Research with animal models only begins after thorough veterinary and scientific review of research protocols with the goal of enhancing animal welfare, reducing the number of animals used, and replacing animal models wherever possible with alternative models. In addition to review of research protocols, the health, housing, and care of all animals utilized in research is overseen by a veterinarian throughout the course of a study in accordance with the standards established in the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and as mandated by the federal Animal Welfare Act.

ACLAM has reviewed the proposed ordinance and strongly urges the City Council members to vote against amending Chapter VII (Animal Control) of the Alameda Municipal Code in accordance with the ordinance option A or B. ACLAM provides the following support for this recommendation:

1. Any municipal ordinance banning use of animals in biomedical research, regardless of size of jurisdiction, could delay critical developments in drug, vaccine, or other therapeutic innovations that are responsible for saving countless human and animal lives.
2. Pre-existing federal and state legislation provides extensive regulatory framework for ethical and humane use of animals in biomedical research. Municipal ordinance restricting use of animals in research will not significantly enhance animal welfare within the State of California and may negatively impact animal welfare through restriction of therapeutic advancements or other unforeseeable mechanism.

We thank the City Council for their time and the opportunity to provide input on behalf of the laboratory animal veterinary community. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,



Jeanne M. Wallace, DVM, DAACLAM
President, American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine

From: [Susan Dunn](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [CityCouncil-List](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please support the BAN on animal testing in Alameda.
Date: Sunday, April 14, 2024 2:02:06 PM

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

As a (long time) Alameda resident I'm writing to urge you to support a ban on animal testing on City properties.

And I know many Alameda residents also support the proposed ban and as science is slowly and gradually moving away from animal lab testing. For instance, Congress successfully passed a bill effective 2024, which no longer requires animal testing for drugs. This is a significant step forward in the right direction and is indicative of the future. However, unfortunately, over many years, animal research has become very entrenched as an industry because animal lab procedures are well known and documented plus there are many millions of dollars invested in the stocking and breeding and maintenance of these lab animals.

Alameda has a reputation for being a compassionate community. Let us maintain that good image and even enhance that image. We don't want to see Alameda become the Biggest Animal Testing Center in the East Bay or anything close to that.

Let's strive for something higher and better. Let's actively promote a policy of encouraging non animal testing labs to come to Alameda including other inventive and more positive businesses that are in line with our values.

As taxpayers who support our City properties we have a vested interest in seeing how these properties are best utilized.

Again, I urge you to vote for the animal testing ban on City properties and do vote for Option A.

Sincerely,
Susan and Jeff Dunn
36 Sunny Cove Circle
Alameda

From: [katherineawilkinson](#)
To: [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opposition to a Life Sciences Animal Testing Ordinance
Date: Wednesday, April 10, 2024 4:50:15 PM

Dear Mayor Ashcraft,

I am a Professor of Biological Sciences and animal researcher and want to register my opposition to the pending Ordinance to restrict the use of animal models in biomedical research in Alameda. Animal research saves lives - both human and animal. The proposed ban on animals would delay and possibly block life-saving drug development and medical device innovation that not only Alameda residents need, but citizens of the State, the Nation, and the World. California is the leader in biomedical research and the critical research process we call “Benchtop to Bedside” - the discovery, development, testing, clinical trials, and eventual approval by the FDA, benefiting countless human and animal patients. The role animal models play in drug, medical device, and vaccine development is not only heavily regulated by the federal and state laws and regulations, governing principles, and international treaties, it remains critical not for ease or lack of innovation, but because of scientific necessity and requirements of regulatory agencies. I am the chair of my institution's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) and I can attest to how seriously we all take our ethical responsibilities.

For decades, scientists have worked to significantly reduce, refine, and replace animal use in research and every study we conduct has to show that alternatives cannot be used. Alternatives to animal models are regularly and enthusiastically used and sought whenever possible. However, some research needs to progress to a whole, living system as a necessary component of the biomedical research process to ensure efficacy and safety to all patients. Research with animal models only begins after investigation of past research to eliminate duplication, refining research protocols with a close eye to animal welfare, reducing the number of animals needed, and replacing animal models wherever possible, and the approval of an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, as mandated by the federal Animal Welfare Act. Researchers are strong advocates of animal welfare and are rigorous in developing and following ethical guidelines governing the use of laboratory animals – including a review of all activities by an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) as mandated by the Animal Welfare Act, the NIH, the standards set by the Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, and seeking voluntary accreditation such as that of the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care, the gold standard of animal care.

To ensure life-saving medical research continues to thrive in this community, I respectfully ask you to support research, and decline to approve the proposed Ordinance before the Alameda City Council to implement restrictions for animal research on city-managed properties. Human and animal patients require biomedical research, and biomedical research still requires animal models of research. If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Katie Wilkinson

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Katie Wilkinson, PhD
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From: [Jennifer Ott](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Cc: [Yibin Shen](#)
Subject: Fwd: [EXTERNAL] RE: Alameda Testing Ban
Date: Monday, April 8, 2024 3:05:11 PM

Lara - can this be posted to the 4/16 agenda?

Thanks,
Jen
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Dan Poritzky <dporitzky@blueriseventures.com>
Date: April 2, 2024 at 6:40:17 PM PDT
To: Lois Butler <lbutler@alamedaca.gov>, Eric Fonstein <efonstein@alamedaca.gov>, Jennifer Ott <jott@alamedaca.gov>, Joan Hu <jhu@blueriseventures.com>
Cc: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov>, David Farrell <dfarrell@blueriseventures.com>, Eric Tecza <etecza@blueriseventures.com>, Madlen Saddik <madlen@alamedachamber.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Alameda Testing Ban

+ Joan. Can you pls attach the tenant poster of all the LS companies making their home in The Research Park? Thank you

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Dan Poritzky <dporitzky@blueriseventures.com>
Date: 4/2/24 3:21 PM (GMT-10:00)
To: Lois Butler <lbutler@alamedaca.gov>, Eric Fonstein <efonstein@alamedaca.gov>, Jennifer Ott <jott@alamedaca.gov>
Cc: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <mezzashcraft@alamedaca.gov>, David Farrell <dfarrell@blueriseventures.com>, Eric Tecza <etecza@blueriseventures.com>, Madlen Saddik <madlen@alamedachamber.com>
Subject: Alameda Testing Ban

Mayor Ashcraft, City Manager Ott, Lois, and Eric....

I understand there is a council meeting next week re an animal testing ban.

The below email would be DEVASTING to everything we have worked on at

The Research Park. I personally don't like animal testing. However, there are laws. Treatment. Ways of dealing with animals in a safe and humane way. Everything we have worked for to make Alameda a hub for Life Science... say goodbye if we have something like this get passed. I hope you all understand the seriousness of this. I'm away this week but can be available for a call. Otherwise, I will be back in Alameda on the 8th.

I leave with a PDF of all of the Life Science companies at our Park.... Doesn't include Joe's and Paceline tenants.

Thank you for considering, Dan P

Dan J. Poritzky

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From: [Amanda Hagan](#)
To: [CityCouncil-List](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions
Date: Thursday, April 4, 2024 2:29:57 PM
Attachments: [Alameda Animal Research.pdf](#)

Please find attached a comment letter for your April 16th hearing. Thank you.

Amanda Hagan
Director, State Government Affairs
Animal Health Institute
202-256-6503
ahi.org



April 16th, 2024

Alameda City Council
City Hall
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
Alameda, CA 94501

RE: Life Science Animal Testing Restrictions

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and City Council Members,

On behalf of the Animal Health Institute (AHI), we respectfully oppose any attempts to regulate animal testing in the life sciences industry. AHI is the U.S. trade association for research-based manufacturers of animal health products – the medicines that keep pets and livestock healthy.

The use of animals in testing a broad range of human and animal products has long been a matter of public debate. For several decades, researchers, non-government organizations, industry and regulators have acknowledged the Principle of the 3 R's as guidance in this area. Specifically, the 3 R's refer to:

- Replacing animal use in an experiment as long as adequate alternatives are available.
- Reducing the use of animal experiments and the number of laboratory animals used, while using only as many animals as are needed to obtain a statistically significant outcome.
- Refining the methods and treatment of the animals during the experiments.

The animal health industry is committed to the 3 R's principle and is working with each of the federal agencies that approves/reviews animal health products to increase the adoption of non-traditional test methods. Progress has been made with the U.S. animal health regulatory agencies, and opportunities exist to enhance this progress. The animal health industry has worked with U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) on the adoption of in vitro testing methods to replace outdated animal testing methods to test for potency. The animal health industry has also worked collaboratively with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to reduce the need for research animals. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has stated a commitment to the 3 R's principle.

The animal health industry, however, is unique among industries that use animals for research. In animal health, laboratory animals are used in the research and development process. But, since we are making products for use in animals, those products must also be tested on the target animal. The use of animals is required by the federal regulatory agencies which approve animal health products, including the USDA, FDA, and EPA. While we continue to work on reducing the need for animal testing, some amount will always be required by federal agencies because we are making products to improve the health and welfare of animals.

The Federal Animal Welfare Act governs, among other animals, dogs and cats used in research. The Animal Welfare Act contains 164 pages of USDA regulations governing animal use along with an additional 424 pages that comprise the USDA's Animal Welfare Guide, which is used by the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to inspect facilities which use animals in research. The Animal Welfare Act and USDA regulations require registration and licensing of entities using animals in research, inspections of facilities, and generally govern all aspects of humane care.

USDA requires facilities to submit an annual report that includes the number of animals being bred, conditioned, or held for use in teaching, testing, experiments, research, or surgery but not yet used for such purposes; as well as how many animals were used in different categories of research.

We consider the use of animals in research a privilege and we take this responsibility seriously. Creating barriers at the local level to research that helps animals live longer, healthier, and happier lives would be a step backwards for animal health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mandy Hagan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mandy Hagan
Director, State Government Affairs

From: [Catherine McBride](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024 11:42:28 AM

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Sincerely,
Ms. Catherine McBride
Santa Rosa, CA 95405-4754

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Sincerely,
Ms. Heather Guillen
San Jose, CA 95112-6330

From: lplatosmith@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Leslie Smith](#)
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Ms. Leslie Smith
Oakland, CA 94611-1806

From: raji61@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Ramona Williams](#)
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Sincerely,
Ms. Ramona Williams
Danville, CA 94526-3838

From: martin7ahorwitz@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Martin Horwitz](#)
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Mr. Martin Horwitz
San Francisco, CA 94122-1608

From: rev.co@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Leo Ashton](#)
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Mr. Leo Ashton
San Jose, CA 95125-1707

From: dmason6942@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Barbara Mason](#)
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Mrs. Barbara Mason
Campbell, CA 95008-5903

From: [Youching Yeh](#)
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Fremont, CA 94538-2537

From: pslakner@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patricia Lakner](#)
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Belvedere Tiburon, CA 94920-1204

From: [Michael Tomczyszyn](#)
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Mr. Michael Tomczyszyn
San Francisco, CA 94132-3140

From: jaklatt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Jennifer Klatt](#)
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Oakland, CA 94611-3252

From: [Samuel Durkin](#)
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Mr. Samuel Durkin
Fairfield, CA 94534-7400

From: melissarosedavis@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Melissa Davis](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Dublin, CA 94568-1250

From: avenidacats@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Waltraud Buckland](#)
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Berkeley, CA 94708-2124

From: samussr337@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Samuel Durkin](#)
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From: binyandal@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Arlene Lightford](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
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From: boerillo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Beverly Perillo](#)
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Half Moon Bay, CA 94019-2316

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San Jose, CA 95112-6330

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From: cindigold1257@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Cindi Goldberg](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: 00.tapirs_owl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [BurT Greenspan](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Novato, CA 94947-5201

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Vallejo, CA 94591-6831

From: patmarchant@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patricia Blackwell-Marchant](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: 8pawprints@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Suzanne Becket](#)
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Sincerely,
Ms. Suzanne Becket
Cupertino, CA 95014-5707

From: gpirategirl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Geralyn Gulseth](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024 12:08:11 PM

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Alameda, CA 94502-6701

From: whales28@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patty Garcia](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
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Patty Garcia
Universal City, TX 78148-4034

From: scorch-ligand0o@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [AG Callan](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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AG Callan
San Francisco, CA 94122-2008

From: amandapaulk@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Amanda Paulk](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
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Sincerely,
Amanda Paulk
Mountain View, CA 94040-1060

From: ashleyblank91@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Ashley Blank](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Ashley Blank
Anchorage, AK 99501-7203

From: saslowrondi8@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Rondi Saslow](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Rondi Saslow
Oakland, CA 94618-1518

From: sibtorun@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Bel Torun](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Mountain View, CA 94040-4730

From: anpeople@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Kim Bartlett](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
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Ms. Kim Bartlett
Emeryville, CA 94608-4160

From: jbirt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Judy Bertelsen](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
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From: michellemendoza@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Michelle Mendoza](#)
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Hayward, CA 94540-4791

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To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
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Mr Phoenix Giffen
Petaluma, CA 94952-2654

From: patty4282@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Patty Linder](#)
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Ms. Patty Linder
San Jose, CA 95136-1804

From: dvdwndt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [David Wendt](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Mr. David Wendt
Walnut Creek, CA 94596-3384

From: ghawk24@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Janice Greenberg](#)
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Walnut Creek, CA 94595-4675

From: [Julia Earl](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: [Miranda Helly](#)
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Oakland, CA 94612-4419

From: [Mary Chase](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Ms. Mary Chase
San Francisco, CA 94114-3340

From: shainsu@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [You will die By your own hate](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: [Alfred Kuba](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: [Lorien Smyer](#)
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Richmond, CA 94804-5047

From: [Jann Lee](#)
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Los Gatos, CA 95032-3839

From: [Suparna Mandal](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Foster City, CA 94404

From: [Margery Gray](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94116-1829

From: [Jess Hernandez](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Concord, CA 94521-2135

From: [Susan Fischer](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Scott Nelson](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024 3:11:54 PM

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Sincerely,
Mr. Scott Nelson
Bethel Island, CA 94511-1075

From: [Renee Yates](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94131-2807

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Ms Amy Zink
Oakland, CA 94606-1167

From: [Alex Weissshaus](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94110-7317

From: [Annette Benton](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Ms. Annette Benton
Pittsburg, CA 94565-2293

From: [Sarah Koenig](#)
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From: [Laura Mani](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Mill Valley, CA 94941-3749

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To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: richard.robbins
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From: [Tem Narvios](#)
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From: [Kendra Knight](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Burlingame, CA 94010-3643

From: [Hurlon Luck](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Ann Graves](#)
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From: [Elanor Sue](#)
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Oakland, CA 94606-5146

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To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Thursday, April 11, 2024 5:51:40 PM

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From: [Pat Marriott](#)
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Moraga, CA 94556-2248

From: [darrell rolstone](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Mr. darrell rolstone
Larkspur, CA 94939-1925

From: [Charmaine Hinman](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Berkeley, CA 94707-1725

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From: [sandy goulart](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Santa Rosa, CA 95401-5920

From: [Greg Rosas](#)
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From: [Suzanne Wood](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Raquel Narvios](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94134-2756

From: [Maria Nowicki](#)
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To: [City Clerk](#)
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Alice Polesky
San Francisco, CA 94107-2664

From: [john Lloyd](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Emeryville, CA 94608-1528

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Ms Jennie Richards
Santa Rosa, CA 95409-6110

From: [Edie Bruce](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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El Cerrito, CA 94530-2512

From: [Renee Snyder](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Dr. Renee Snyder
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523-1218

From: [Lyla DeVita](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Moraga, CA 94556-1130

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Nisha Blum
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From: [AJ Cho](#)
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From: [Joslyn Baxter](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Daniel Carrillo](#)
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From: [Nikki Nafziger](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Vallejo, CA 94590-7907

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Antioch, CA 94509-4355

From: [Jayne Walker](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Friday, April 12, 2024 2:22:38 AM

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Sonoma, CA 95476-6051

From: [Erica Danjelic](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Jojoy M](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Mr. Jojoy M
Fremont, CA 94539-5242

From: [Karen Dallow](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Friday, April 12, 2024 8:03:25 AM

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El Sobrante, CA 94803-1732

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Concord, CA 94521-1502

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To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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San Mateo, CA 94402-3989

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From: [Marsha Armstrong](#)
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Dr. Marsha Armstrong
Monte Sereno, CA 95030-2220

From: [Tifenn Caudron](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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MS. Susanna Gordon Gordon
Pleasanton, CA 94566-7142

From: [pinkyjain.pan](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Tucson, AZ 85710-8825

From: [Ulka Agarwal](#)
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Campbell, CA 95008-6422

From: [norma campbell](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Ms. norma campbell
Campbell, CA 95008-2424

From: [Laura Ice](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Ms. Laura Ice
Sebastopol, CA 95472-3564

From: [Robin Dye](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Robin Dye
San Jose, CA 95132-3504

From: [Mary Sanders](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Sincerely,
MS Mary Sanders
Petaluma, CA 94952-4123

From: [Stacey Andre](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Berkeley, CA 94702-1781

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El Cerrito, CA 94530-1437

From: [Connie Devine](#)
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From: [Josephine Bellacomo](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94110-5235

From: [Jaye Bergen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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To: [City Clerk](#)
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To: [City Clerk](#)
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To: [City Clerk](#)
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Oakland, CA 94609-2412

From: dinaannaslobodnink@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Dina Slobodnink](#)
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Sebastopol, CA 95472-3564

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To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Mary Sanders](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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MS Mary Sanders
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Sincerely,
Stacey Andre
Benicia, CA 94510-1448

From: [Cheryl Buckingham](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Saturday, April 13, 2024 6:12:27 AM

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Berkeley, CA 94702-1781

From: [Colleena Brazen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: [Jan Jones](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Ms Jan Jones
El Cerrito, CA 94530-1437

From: [Connie Devine](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Yerington, NV 89447-2130

From: [Josephine Bellacomo](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94110-5235

From: [Richard Schwartz](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Sunday, April 14, 2024 8:47:51 PM

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Berkeley, CA 94707-1827

From: [Susan Urang](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Ms. Susan Urang
San Jose, CA 95126-3217

From: [Sheila Gill](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Monday, April 15, 2024 1:41:43 AM

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Montara, CA 94037-0592

From: [Glenna Dowling](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: [Ruth Selan](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Ms. Ruth Selan
San Jose, CA 95128

From: bettersciencecampaign@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of [Diana Navon](#)
To: [Lara Weisiger](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Diana Navon
Berkeley, CA 94708-1607

From: [Ramona Williams](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 8:02:50 AM

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Ms. Ramona Williams
Danville, CA 94526-3838

From: [Jann Lee](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Walnut Creek, CA 94595-1731

From: [Lisa Sheeper](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Sincerely,
Lisa Sheeper
La Selva Beach, CA 95076-1513

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Sincerely,
lenore sorensen
Kensington, CA 94707-1337

From: [David Wendt](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Walnut Creek, CA 94596-3384

From: [Maryam Eskandari MD](#)
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Albany, CA 94706-2106

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From: [Lynne PreFontaine](#)
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Mrs Lynne PreFontaine
Alameda, CA 94501-3732

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San Mateo, CA 94402-3989

From: [Kristen Lowry](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Concord, CA 94521-2910

From: [Joslyn Baxter](#)
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Dr. Joslyn Baxter
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From: [pam zimmerman](#)
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Ms. pam zimmerman
Santa Rosa, CA 95404-2230

From: [Enoe Corado](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 8:18:00 AM

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Ms. Enoe Corado
San Francisco, CA 94141-0056

From: [paula goldberg](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Ms. paula goldberg
Palo Alto, CA 94301-2630

From: [Usha Aluru](#)
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Fremont, CA 94539-3743

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San Francisco, CA 94114-3123

From: [Charmaine Hinman](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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San Rafael, CA 94901-1173

From: [lila cohen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Berkeley, CA 94708-2112

From: [Shari Riffe](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Holly Peters](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Ms Holly Peters
Pinole, CA 94564-0061

From: [AG Callan](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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San Francisco, CA 94122-2008

From: [Gary Cianciarulo](#)
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Mr. Gary Cianciarulo
San Francisco, CA 94110-2110

From: [Bruce Haak](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Dr. Bruce Haak
Walnut Creek, CA 94595-7427

From: [Kathy steinbrecher](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Mrs. Kathy steinbrecher
Lafayette, CA 94549-3026

From: [LIII D](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Miss LIII D
Albany, CA 94706

From: [Lisa Winningham](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Los Gatos, CA 95032-3839

From: [Christopher Evans](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Mr. Christopher Evans
Berkeley, CA 94720-0001

From: [Melissa Davis](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Mrs. Melissa Davis
Dublin, CA 94568-1250

From: [Stacy Baar](#)
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Ms. Stacy Baar
Alameda, CA 94502-6418

From: [Miranda Helly](#)
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Oakland, CA 94612-4469

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Berkeley, CA 94708-1741

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To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Elaine Woodriff](#)
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From: [Kara Foster](#)
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Elk Grove, CA 95624-6043

From: [Sara Winslow](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94110-5339

From: [Suzanne Becket](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Cupertino, CA 95014-5707

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San Mateo, CA 94401-3105

From: [Patricia Banchik](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Oakland, CA 94609-1423

From: [Kate Ague](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Kate Ague
Menlo Park, CA 94025-3738

From: [Debra Kaihani](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Colleena Brazen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Walnut Creek, CA 94598-1728

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To: [City Clerk](#)
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Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 10:01:27 AM

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Danville, CA 94526-4155

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Fremont, CA 94538-5124

From: [Jack Zelter](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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To: [City Clerk](#)
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Oakland, CA 94611-2404

From: [Elisse De Sio](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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San Carlos, CA 94070-5009

From: [Anne Tuddenham](#)
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From: [Cayla Coleman](#)
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San Rafael, CA 94901-2560

From: [T.Roth](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Dillon Beach, CA 94929

From: [Roberta Stern](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94109-0209

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Ms. Katherine Salassi
Sonoma, CA 95476-7518

From: [John Lopez](#)
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Vancouver, WA 98660-2817

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Dr. cassy s
Fairfield, CA 94534-1456

From: [Alison Mink](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Ms. Alison Mink
Dublin, CA 94568-2265

From: [Mike Evans](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Berkeley, CA 94720-0001

From: [Patricia Blackwell-Marchant](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Castro Valley, CA 94552-1708

From: [Ruth Robertson](#)
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From: [Leanne B.](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Santa Rosa, CA 95401-5920

From: [Alfred Kuba](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Mountain View, CA 94043-3438

From: [Linda Johnson](#)
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From: [Rokhsana Daghighian](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [ray xavier](#)
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Mr. ray xavier
Walnut Creek, CA 94598-1113

From: [Claudia Bruckert](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Santa Rosa, CA 95404-1637

From: [Janet Monfredini](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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San Francisco, CA 94127-1540

From: [Julia Rinaldi](#)
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From: [Niloofar Shambayati](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Berkeley, CA 94707-2407

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Ms. Marcella Schantz
Castro Valley, CA 94546-2514

From: [SUSAN LOUIE](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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SUSAN LOUIE
Berkeley, CA 94707-0605

From: [Annette Benton](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 12:36:36 PM

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Pittsburg, CA 94565-2293

From: [J Young](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Alameda, CA 94502-6441

From: [norma campbell](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Campbell, CA 95008-2424

From: [Barbara Mason](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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From: [Sarah Kim](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Cyndi Sood-Parker](#)
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Castro Valley, CA 94546-2346

From: [Deborah Temple](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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San Rafael, CA 94901-1708

From: [Connie Devine](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Yerington, NV 89447-2130

From: [Stephanie Clark](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Concord, CA 94520-4050

From: [Tem Narvios](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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San Francisco, CA 94134-2756

From: [Dian Hardy](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Sebastopol, CA 95472-3567

From: [Lisa Tichenor](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Santa Rosa, CA 95404-3716

From: [Cynthia Hellmuth](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Benicia, CA 94510-3142

From: [Mona Tichenor](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 1:28:06 PM

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From: [John Thompson](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Sarasota, FL 34239-6719

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Santa Rosa, CA 95404-3716

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Walnut Creek, CA 94595-3001

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Rohnert Park, CA 94928-2308

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From: [Zoe Novic](#)
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Mr. PAUL BABBINI
Santa Rosa, CA 95401-5419

From: [Sharon Budde](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 3:47:49 PM

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Oakland, CA 94619-1408

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San Francisco, CA 94108-3171

From: [Myrna Cohen](#)
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
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Daly City, CA 94015-4003

From: [Christina Gill](#)
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From: [Carla Cabral](#)
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From: [Igor Makasyuk](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Palo Alto, CA 94306-4481

From: [Marsha Armstrong](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Monte Sereno, CA 95030-2220

From: [Susan Urang](#)
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San Jose, CA 95126-3217

From: [AJ Cho](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Mx AJ Cho
San Leandro, CA 94579-1963

From: [Myrna Cohen](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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From: [Sheila Dixon](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
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Ms. Edie Bruce
El Cerrito, CA 94530-2512

From: [Raquel Narvios](#)
To: [City Clerk](#)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Support Animal Testing Ban Option A
Date: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 10:06:55 PM

Dear City Clerk Lara Weisiger,

As a local resident, I am writing to urge you to vote in favor of Animal Testing Ban Option A during the Alameda City Council's April 16 meeting. Neither city residents nor locals who frequently visit Alameda want animal experiments conducted in their backyard. Patients need human-relevant research—not cruel, crude animal testing.

An ordinance that prohibits animal experiments on public land would show that Alameda supports ethical, science-driven research. An enormous body of scientific evidence raises serious concerns with the continued use of animals. And researchers are increasingly moving away from animals for testing drugs and developing treatments.

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