

# SENATE OF VIRGINIA

LYNWOOD W. LEWIS, JR.  
6TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
ALL OF ACCOMACK, MATHEWS, AND  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTIES; AND PART OF  
THE CITIES OF NORFOLK AND VIRGINIA BEACH  
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December 8, 2014

Commissioner Sandra J. Adams  
Virginia Department of Agriculture and  
Consumer Services  
Oliver Hill Building  
102 Governor Street, Room 224  
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Commissioner Adams:

I am writing in regard to an incident about which you are no doubt already aware that occurred in Accomack County on October 18, 2014. Specifically, employees of the PETA organization appeared in a trailer park located near the Town of Parksley and proceeded to round up various animals including at least one belonging to a resident of the trailer park. The dog was removed from its owners' porch, there was a security camera video of the entire episode. The employees subsequently returned with a fruit basket as sort of a condolence for the euthanization of the family pet, Maya.

It is my understanding that VDACS is the regulatory agency for this type of activity carried out by PETA. I would hope and urge VDACS to use whatever regulatory authority it may have over the activities of PETA in this incident as certainly, I think, they are worthy of intense review and scrutiny.

I look forward to hearing from you

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lynwood W. Lewis, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Lynwood W. Lewis, Jr.  
6th District

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