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Dear Members of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors,

The eyes of the world are entirely on Humboldt County right now, and the public is watching your response to the horrific mass slaughter uncovered at Miranda's Rescue. As a defrauded donor who supported this facility under false pretenses, I am writing to demand immediate transparency and aggressive legal action.

The contrast in accountability between your county and other jurisdictions is staggering. Just recently, when a Fairfield Police Officer's negligence led to the tragic heat-related death of his partner, K9 Farock, the department did not hesitate. Within six days, the officer was immediately terminated, an independent investigation was launched, and he was arrested on felony animal cruelty charges. That is what swift justice looks like.

Yet, here in Humboldt County, whistleblowers have come forward stating that formal complaints, evidence, and desperate warnings about Shannon Miranda's operations were brought to county officials for nearly 20 years—dating back to 2006. Reports indicate your Planning and Building Department allowed this facility to open and operate with an expired use permit for over two decades. Your code enforcement and local agencies turned a blind eye, reportedly scheduling inspections in advance and allowing this horrific "kill zone" to operate unchecked while hundreds of innocent animals were executed.

Why has Humboldt County failed so profoundly where others act instantly? Why won't you act decisively in the name of the hundreds of innocent animals systematically slaughtered on your watch over the last 20 years?

We demand that this Board:

1. **Launch an immediate independent internal investigation** into why county departments ignored two decades of systemic warnings and code violations at Miranda's Rescue.
2. **Direct county counsel to cooperate fully** with the Sheriff's Office, the FBI, and state prosecutors to ensure that Shannon Miranda and all complicit parties face the absolute maximum felony animal abuse and fraud charges.

The excuses end now. Do the right thing, hold Shannon Miranda and complicit parties accountable, and lock up those responsible for this generational failure of animal welfare.

Sincerely,

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