Greetings Federal Government, 11-30-2023

I am Aditya Amarnath, a 4th grader at Parkmont Elementary School. I wanted to write to you about my concern regarding animal testing.

Animal testing can cause a lot of harm to many species. What have animals done to you which makes you think that you could test dangerous substances on them? Please stop doing all this cruel stuff to these innocent creatures because it can cause animals to suffer, it can lead to extinction, and it is time consuming and expensive.

One reason is that it would cause suffering to different species. According to peta.org, it states, "Tiny mice grow tumors as large as their own bodies, kittens are purposely blinded, rats are made to suffer seizures, and primates' skulls are cut open and electrodes are implanted in them." This evidence explains that animal testing would cause suffering to many different species.

Another reason is that more than 110 million animals are killed because of animal testing. At this rate, in a few years most of the animals we know of today will be extinct. Peta.org states, "Each year, more than 110 million animals—including mice, rats, frogs, dogs, cats, rabbits,

hamsters, guinea pigs, monkeys, fish, and birds—are killed in U.S. laboratories for biology lessons, medical training, curiosity-driven experimentation, and chemical, drug, food, and cosmetics testing." This proves how animal testing can cause extinction.

The last reason is that animal testing is time consuming and expensive. Humanesociety.org says that, "Animal experiments are time-consuming and expensive. Animal experiments don't accurately mimic how the human body and human diseases respond to drugs, chemicals or treatments. Animals are very different from humans and, therefore, react differently. Increasing numbers of people find animal testing unethical." This explains why Animal testing takes a lot of time and money.

In conclusion, animal testing is wrong because it can cause animals to suffer, it can lead to extinction, and it is time consuming and expensive. Be kind to all creatures great and small. Thank you.

Sincerely,
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