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Karen Duncan, President

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Dear Karen:

It has come to my attention that your rescue group has two adoption centers for adult cats and kittens at PetSmart locations in the Vancouver, BC area.

I also understand that the policy of US PetSmart adoption centers is to require rabies vaccination of all cats. However, rabies vaccine is one of two feline vaccines most often associated with inducing injection-site fibrosarcomas in cats, which can reoccur even with surgical removal, and can even be fatal. Furthermore, rabies vaccination is currently not mandated in British Columbia.

In my opinion, your stance to not vaccinate any cats or kittens you have at the two adoption centers at PetSmarts with rabies vaccine seems prudent and reasonable.

Your sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W. Jean Dodds, DVM".

W. Jean Dodds, DVM

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