

Letters

Compassion has no substitute and cruelty is unnecessary

Regarding the "Cruel treatment at Sales Barn", Ms. Kenneth is indeed appreciated for her exposure of the outrageous habit of handling fowl and rabbits at the Stouffville Sales Barn.

Are there no regulations limiting the number of birds or animals to each cage or providing shelter from the hot sun, with accessible water?

Granted these chickens, ducks, geese and rabbits are for ultimate human consumption, their brief or prolonged detention should definitely not be a

distressful one, as is the case in this Stouffville Sales Barn.

With public concern, it is to be hoped that Humane Society Inspectors insist on proper treatment for these live birds and animals instead of the merciless torture now inflicted at this particular Sales Barn as well as other markets having such deplorable conditions for creatures that suffer with pain just as we do.

Employers and employees alike, responsible for such inhumane

practices should be advised anything less than proper care with sufficient shelter for poultry, rabbits or whatever they

We must help stop cruelty to animals

I couldn't agree more with Marjorie Kenneth's letter on conditions at the Stouffville market, and all other places where live animals are handled. Having seen such incidents of cruelty, I avoid at all costs going where living animals are handled, even certain pet

handle alive, should be treated as an offense punishable by law. Cruelty is absolutely unnecessary and com-

passion has no substitute. Roma Curry, 7040 Yonge St., Thornhill

leave it up to the next person to do, it is up to US to see the laws are changed, plus strictly enforced, and put a stop to all cruelty once and for all.

As is, these mindless dehumanized creatures go on laughing at the law, and decent people everywhere who feel compassion for all suffering animals.

Animals can't write or vote, but animal lovers can and must.

E. Alfano, 109 Brighton Ave., Downsview, Ontario.

Not one of us should

Are there no laws to protect animals, she wants to know

I recently went to Stouffville Market and was horrified at the widespread mistreatment of animals and poultry for sale - rough handling, screams of terrified birds

There did not appear to be any supervision or protection for "sale" animals and birds.

Are there no laws to protect these creatures? If there ARE, then why are they not enforced - or

are we so backward that we permit cruelty to animals?

Rich with dollars - but bereft of compassion.

Margaret Osborne, 3979 Elizabeth Road, Ridgeway, Ontario.

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