



June 5, 2007

Dear Friends of Wildlife:

I am sending this letter to clear up the misconceptions that have circulated in the media surrounding the Animal Rescue League's care of wildlife. I hope this clarifies the situation for everyone involved.

The Animal Rescue League of Western Pennsylvania Wildlife Center remains committed to serving the wildlife of southwestern Pennsylvania fully. We are not closing, in fact we are growing.

The main shelter at the Animal Rescue League, which has euthanized healthy wildlife for the City of Pittsburgh's Animal Control Division, will cease to do so as soon as an alternative vendor can be located. It was a decision reached because it was incongruous for the Animal Rescue League to rehabilitate wildlife in one place, and exterminate in another.

We will continue to work with the City of Pittsburgh's Animal Control Division to rehabilitate and release non-rabies vector species wildlife, should they bring the non-rabies vector species animals to us or to the main shelter.

I apologize for any inconvenience that reports to the contrary may have caused.

For the wildlife,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jill M. Argall".

Jill M. Argall  
Director  
Animal Rescue League Wildlife Center