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INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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To whom it may concern,

I do not nor will I ever support this industry.

I was naive and uneducated in regards to the greyhound racing industry in Australia. I believe this was partly due to the lack of awareness about the industry in the community and the way it managed to continue unabated without drawing too much attention in society to the mistreatment and ultimate death of most racing greyhounds.

Times are changing. Many people, including myself are becoming educated about this industry. I am angry and ashamed to say that what I thought was strictly regulated is nothing more than an exploitive, cruel and inhumane industry that treats animals like disposable commodities. I cannot understand how this has gone on for so long in this country.

The hard working not-for-profit greyhound rescue groups are the ones that are left to clean up the mess and wastage of this industry. However, how are they supposed to keep up with the excessive amount of used and abused animals? The harsh reality is that many greyhounds are killed, sometimes in horrific circumstances.

I don't believe that any amount of money generated by this industry could excuse the abuse and mistreatment of defenceless greyhounds.