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To whom it may concern:

I am writing you this letter to inform you of the economic and emotional stress that was placed on me and my wife due to the three Expedited Emergency Rules that stopped the movement of whitetail deer in MN at the hands of the MN DNR.

I am 20 years old, and I recently just got married. I am currently building a house on my dad's land, and I had the intentions of taking over my dad's successful and CWD free deer farm.

Our family farm consists of several different major business aspects. We have an entertainment business where we exhibit live trophy whitetail bucks at sports shows all around the Upper Midwest, exhibit at schools, and exhibit at sporting goods stores. The other aspects of our business stem off of the public exposure that we get off of our entertainment business, which are breed stock sales, hunting preserve deer hunts, doe urine sales, and merchandise sales items. All of these business aspects are negatively impacted when we can not go to sport shows.

When the MN DNR did their three movement bans on whitetail deer, they forced us to break contracts with many sport shows and sporting good stores. These events had already been booked, with deposits received. The event owners had already spent their money advertising that the LIVE WHITETAIL BUCKS would be at their event as the main attraction. Now these sport show owners, even with no movement ban in place are not willing to hire us at future events as they do not want to get hurt financially and socially when we are at the mercy of the MN DNR and we could be forced to break a contract at any time.

Meanwhile, our family farm has lost at least \$100,000 in appearance fees and residual sales from the shows we could not attend. We have also lost all future income off of our LIVE WHITETAIL BUCK display, as the show owners have lost faith in our ability to full fill our appearance contracts. If we do not have our entertainment business, we will not be able to continue with our other business aspects of selling breed stock, booking hunting preserve hunts, doe urine sales, and selling merchandise sale items. All of our future farm business is forever harmed.

I had the opportunity to take over a beautiful, financially successful, and CWD FREE family farm. I started building a house to raise kids and now I can not afford to finish my house. I live in an economically depressed area with little or no business opportunity. I have a house on my dad's land that I cannot afford to finish, that I cannot sell, and I am struggling to pay my bills.

Meanwhile, we are struggling to purchase feed for 136 clean healthy animals, and I have to decide to pay my bills or buy animal feed. The stress in my brand-new marriage is unbelievable. Rep. Rick Hansen has been legislatively attacking our farm for many years all on the pretense of fighting a disease. When a disease breaks out in livestock the state only shuts down the sick farms or farms that have had contact with the sick farm, my dad closed off our farm to importing any deer over ten years ago. We have a

CLOSED FARM, we are enrolled in a state mandated CWD monitoring program.....we have a CWD clean deer farm, but were still shut down and prevented from making a living!!!

While I was growing up my dad taught me to be responsible, to be honest, to work hard, and to pursue my dreams. I am only 20 years old; I am married, and I have built my own house with my own hands and with my own money. I never imagined that my own state would turn against me and work hard to destroy my way of life. The stress is unimaginable.

I am sending you pictures of the home that I have built. You can see that we are living in it at the exact point where we ran out of money due to the movement bans put in place by the MN DNR.

Sincerely stressed,

Brody and Gracie Porter