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Comments for Public Posting: City shelters are in crisis, so the city needs to take emergency action now to prevent more animals from suffering on the streets and in severely crowded shelters. There is no excuse for bringing more animals into the world when so many neglected and unwanted animals are suffering, never having experienced the comfort and safety of a loving home. A moratorium on new breeding permits would protect countless animals and ease the burden on already severely crowded shelters. I strongly support a moratorium on issuing new breeding licenses in Los Angeles. Our city owes it to suffering animals to do everything it can to reduce animal homelessness and the need for euthanasia by spaying and neutering animals and stopping all new breeding. Animals in shelters will continue to suffer and die as long as we allow breeders to bring more animals into the world. Every time a new litter is born, the odds of finding loving homes for adoptable dogs and cats languishing in severely crowded shelters become even steeper. Placing a moratorium on new breeding permits is a commonsense animal protection measure that would reduce the number of unwanted cats and dogs languishing in our city's shelters, waiting for loving homes that never present themselves.