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Dear President,

FNOVI, which represents the more than 35 thousand Italian veterinary physicians, is following the evolution of the proposed law that should counter the consequences of dog straying.

In our country since 1991 the law prohibits the killing of ownerless dogs and even with all the critical points it is a norm of great respect for animals.

On behalf of myself and the Federation, I want to express our support in this sensitive situation.

In our opinion all public health regulations must have a solid scientific basis and respect the welfare of animals - who are sentient beings as the code of conduct states but also The New York Declaration on Animal Consciousness last April.

We stand by all our Turkish colleagues and civil society in this battle of civilization that you are waging. Our hope is that the law will be amended according to scientific knowledge and international guidelines, respecting One Health.

With my warmest regards.

(Dr. Gaetano Penocchio

