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Comments in writing: I am very pleased to see Winnipeg moving toward eliminating its outdated and unscientific breed ban and adopting strong, breed-neutral tools to promote responsible dog guardianship.

Moving forward with an urban chicken keeping program poses serious risks to chickens, who will be kept outdoors year-round and could be at risk of being slaughtered, abandoned, or surrendered to local animal shelters as has happened in other jurisdictions. It could also pose serious disease risks given outbreaks of H5N1 avian flu across Canada and the United States in recent weeks and days.
Improving regulation of exotic animal ownership is a serious and pressing issue that requires the City's urgent attention.

There is no reason to change course now and ask Animal Services to abandon all of the work it has done to provide recommendations to Council on this topic.

Exotic animals should be banned. The extreme cruelty these poor creatures endure some of them becoming extinct in the wild. They should be left to live their natural lives in their own habitat.

Thank you.
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