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Dear Sir/Madame

Would you please accept the following link to be submitted to the General Government Committee and staff for their review prior to the meeting scheduled on Monday, September 9th that features a study conducted by the University of Guelph entitled, 'U of G Research Finds Many Backyard Flock Owners Not Following Proper Hygiene'.

I do not support the keeping of backyard chickens for hygiene reasons and the ever-present risk of the rapid spread of contagious disease. Even if novice keepers are required to take some form of compulsory course in the responsible keeping of chickens, this does not mean that they will follow the guidelines and consequently, the ever-present risk of zoonotic contagious disease poses a real and critical risk to public health.

Would you please acknowledge receipt of this communication and please contact me should you have any questions.

U of G Research Finds Many Backyard Flock Owners Not Following Proper Hygiene
<https://guides.uoguelph.ca/2019/08/u-of-g-research-finds-many-backyard-flock-owners-not-following-proper-hygiene/>

Regards,

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