

June 20, 2014

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Dear Dr. King:

The Council on Accreditation of the Association for Assessment and Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC International) has reviewed the April 29, 2014 correspondence pertaining to the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Family and Consumer Sciences, Pharmacy, Public Health, Veterinary Medicine and the Office of the Vice President for Research, The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia. The Council is pleased to inform you that the deficiency regarding social housing of dogs noted in its March 12, 2014 correspondence has been corrected satisfactorily in accordance with AAALAC International standards as set forth by the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, NRC 2011. Council additionally acknowledges and appreciates your addressing the recommended suggestions for improvement. Therefore, the criteria for maintaining **FULL ACCREDITATION** have been assured. The Council recognizes your efforts to achieve a quality animal care and use program and commends you and your staff for the positive actions taken.

Please be advised that AAALAC International requires an Annual Report from accredited units detailing changes made during the year. In the interim, AAALAC International expects to be apprised in a timely manner of significant programmatic changes or concerns should they occur. Please note that, at your request, AAALAC International will provide your institution with a separate letter simply verifying that your animal care and use program is accredited. Should you also wish to distribute an electronic copy of this letter to program staff, a Portable Document Format (pdf) version will be sent upon request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John N. Norton".

John N. Norton, D.V.M., Ph.D.
President, Council on Accreditation

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