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FROM: Vannessa Dorantes, Commissioner
Department of Children and Families
DATE: January 1, 2023
SUBJECT: Annual Report Concerning Actual or Suspected Instance of Animal Neglect or Cruelty, C.G.S. § 17a-110c

I am pleased to submit the 2022 Annual Report Concerning Actual or Suspected Instance of Animal Neglect or Cruelty as required under C.G.S. section 17a-110c.

Between January 1, 2022, and December 31, 2022, The Department of Children and Families has received a total of one hundred and seven (107) written reports from the Department of Agriculture. Of the one hundred and seven (107) reports received, forty-five (45) had histories with DCF and ten (10) reports met the standard for an abuse/neglect investigation based on the initial information provided in the written report.

In addition, I'm attaching a de-identified summary of the reports received, by month, for your review.

Should you need any additional information, please feel free to contact Lisa Daymonde, Director of Careline Operations at: 860-560-7001 or Lisa.Daymonde@ct.gov.

cc: Commissioner Bryan P. Hurlburt, Department of Agriculture<br>Lisa Daymonde<br>Members of the Committee on Children<br>Senate Clerk<br>House Clerk<br>Clerk, Committee on Children<br>Office of Legislative Research<br>State Librarian

| Month | Reports <br> Received | Open Case | Prior DCF <br> History | Reports that Met <br> Standard for <br> Investigation |
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| January | 9 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| February | 8 | 1 | 7 | 3 |
| March | 17 | 2 | 7 | 1 |
| April | 14 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| May | 7 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| June | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| July | 12 | 3 | 4 | 2 |
| August | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| September | 15 | 2 | 8 | 2 |
| October | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| November | 11 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| December | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 107 | 15 | 45 | 10 |

