Dear [restaurant owner] / [Restaurant name/ team],

I am writing to you as I have recently become aware, after planning to visit your restaurant, that you serve rabbit meat on your menu.

I’m not sure if you are aware that rabbits are intensively factory farmed and live a short 10 weeks in overcrowded cages with unsanitary conditions. There has recently been an expose shown on channel 7 news about the appalling conditions of factory farming rabbits. There are no enforceable welfare laws for raising rabbits or slaughtering them. Rabbits are shipped to a “processor” where their necks are broken by swinging them against a metal post and their throats slit until they are bled out, all this while the other rabbits are watching. However, many don’t survive the trip and die from brutal handling on the way to slaughter, or while waiting in their overcrowded cages to be slaughtered.

Rabbits are the third most common companion pet in Australia. I live with one/two/three house

rabbits as companion animals in my home, and was shocked to see that you are serving the meat of these loving animals as meals for your customers. My rabbit(s) is/are the most loving, funny, smart and amazing animal(s) I have ever known. Rabbits, just as dogs and cats, know their names, come when they’re called, play with toys, sit on the sofas, beg for treats and love to be petted on the nose.

I strongly urge you to reconsider serving rabbits in your restaurant.

If you would like to know more, please visit:

<http://downtherabbitholes.org/bunny-meat/>

Sincerely,