



Woodland
Animal Hospital East

A National PetCare Center

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To Whom It May Concern:

I have been asked to comment on noise levels from the free-standing dog kennel that was built 4 years ago by contractor Milton Odom. This 2200 square foot building is a pre-fabricated steel construction with a brick façade facing the parking lot. Other than normal insulation, no sound-proofing material was added to the outside walls, or ceiling. One half of the building contains 33 indoor dog runs in a large room, with windows on 3 sides. The other half of the building contains 2 luxury suites (each with outside windows), a grooming room, a utility room, and a reception area. During busy holiday and summer boarding, we may have as many as 50 dogs in this building.

Most of the time, the dogs are quiet, but even during feeding and exercise times when there is a lot of barking, the sound is barely audible from the outside. There is residential property within 100 feet of the PetLodge, and we have never had a complaint about barking dogs. In my opinion, a similar building used for the same purpose elsewhere would not constitute a public nuisance. Please feel free to call me if additional details are needed.

Sincerely,

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