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Statement regarding video footage taken at Skyway Animal Hospital

Dear friends, animal lovers and pet parents:

The Ontario Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA) is a voluntary, non-profit association that represents Ontario's veterinarians. OVMA is not the regulatory/licensing body for the veterinary profession. That responsibility falls to the College of Veterinarians of Ontario (CVO).

OVMA and its members condemn, in the strongest possible terms, any mistreatment of animals. The association would like to reassure pet owners that the handling of animals shown in the video footage from Skyway Animal Hospital is in no way a reflection of what takes place in the broader veterinary profession. Veterinarians and veterinary teams have a deep and abiding love of animals, and are dedicated to ensuring that the animals in their care are treated with respect and compassion.

Any comments or concerns regarding the decision reached by CVO in this matter should be directed to the college (inquiries@cvo.org).

Doug Raven, CEO