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Dear Sir or Madame:

It has come to my attention that NIH's wants to rescind its moratorium on funding research involving human-animal chimeras. I strongly urge you to reconsider. I do not want you to use my tax dollars to support this problematic experiment in the creation of a new life form, both human and animal. Where is the evaluation of what such a resulting life form will be and how it will be treated. This proposed research raises all the ethical problems associated with human stem cell research as well as the ethics of manipulating both humans and animals in the development of chimeras.

Where has this been discussed publicly on a large scale to educate as to what it means, its pros and cons, etc. so that as a people we can be ready to grasp this enormous change in life forms, and all the questions to which it gives rise?

I implore you to maintain the current moratorium on developing human-animal chimeras.

Respectfully Submitted,

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