

Dear Pet Parent,

I hope this letter finds you in a moment of peace amidst the intensity of emotions that can accompany pet guardianship. As a veterinarian deeply committed to the well-being of both animals and their human companions, I understand the profound impact of the bond between pets and their caregivers.

In times of both joy and sorrow, the bond we share with our animal companions can serve as a source of strength, comfort, and connection. The journey we share with our pets are marked by moments of love and companionship, but also by moments of worry and grief. Whether your beloved pet is facing a difficult diagnosis, has recently passed on, or you find yourself anticipating the grief of an impending loss, please know that you are not alone in this journey.

From difficult medical choices to end-of-life care options, these decisions can weigh heavily on our hearts and minds, impacting the entire family unit. In times of grief, it is also important to acknowledge the impact of collective loss on our own well-being. Whether your grief is directly related to your pet or intertwined with other complexities of life, I aim to provide support and allow for expression of emotions in a safe and compassionate space.

Please understand that this service is not intended to replace veterinary medical care or diagnosis. Rather, it is a compassionate space where you can seek emotional support, assistance with difficult decision-making, and resources to help you navigate the complexities of grief and loss.

Together, we can honor the bond you share with your pet and find ways to navigate this journey with compassion, understanding, and grace.

With heartfelt sympathy and support,

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