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Dear Members: At the YTCA dinner in New York,\*\* some basic information was reported by Deloras Maas, regarding the results of the Health Survey. Deloras noted why analyzing data requires more than just looking at the numbers.

Our statistician has entered all of the data received and has furnished some preliminary results. We received fewer responses than we had hoped; however, the amount of information received is reasonable enough to begin exploring funding avenues. Even though we thought we had a fool proof survey, it wasn't until we started working with the data that we realized what was missed and what could have been more helpful.

Health Survey highlights are presented for your review. But, remember that these are only summary numbers. They are not exact but they show a trend. Once every issue is finalized, it is our hope that we will have a clearer path to follow. Initially, the goal was health issues that needed to be researched; but interestingly, the survey has given us unexpected additional information that can be used in other ways, such as education, seminars, prevention, etc.

To give you a better picture of the Foundation, please know we are a self-standing and independent entity. We are dedicated to researching health issues to benefit the health and welfare of our Yorkshire Terriers. Please feel free to let the Board know of any comments or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

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