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An Open Letter to TOC Members about the New York Horsemen's Election

To all TOC Members:

As many of you know, I am running for president of the New York Thoroughbred Horseman's Association ("NYTHA"). Yesterday, in an open letter to TOC members, TOC president Joe Morris wrote that the NYTHA election could have broad implications for our industry nationally, and that if you are also licensed as an owner in New York, it is important that you vote. I strongly agree with Joe on both of those points.

However, Joe also wrote that I believe that Lasix should be eliminated from race day and that the federal government should be asked to regulate all medications administered to our horses, while my opponent, Rick Violette, believes Lasix should be allowed as the only race day medication as part of the Uniform Medication Guidelines.

Joe's letter is wrong about my position on race day Lasix and federal government involvement in racing. My positions on these two issues have not wavered:

- I am not in favor of Lasix being eliminated as a race day medication.
- I am not in favor of the federal government being asked to regulate any medications administered to our horses.

If you would like more information about my stand on the key issues facing New York horsemen, please visit www.FinleyforNYTHA.com or contact me directly at (518) 879-3380.

I would appreciate your vote in this very important election.

Sincerely,

Terry Finley