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Mr. George L. Gilkey
Merrill, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. Gilkey:

I have been recently informed by Mr. P. B. Rice, Secretary of the American Kennel Club, that the Basenji has been recognized for registration in the Stud Book. His letter reads in part: "I am very pleased to advise you that our Board of Directors, at the meeting on November 9, 1943, recognized for registration in the Stud Book the breed Basenji. I think you understand that as soon as 100 animals have been registered, classification of the breed at shows will be in order.

"The standard as sent us in your letter of November 6th, together with copy of the constitution and by-laws and list of members of the Basenji Club of America, also has our approval."

I am enclosing you a copy of the standard and by-laws. The standard is an exact copy of the standard used by the Basenji Club of England.

The next incentive of the club is to have the breed classified in the group, and this group by all means should be the sporting group. To do this we must have 100 registrations. At the present time, we have 27. I would suggest that each breeder register not only the litter but each puppy individually, thus assuring the registration of each eligible Basenji in this country.

Mr. Rice, also informed me that the American Kennel Club will communicate with the various owners in regards to their individual applications and fees.

With cordial greetings and hopes for the continued success of the Basenji Club of America, I remain

Sincerely yours,

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