

Dear Tim Mirkes,
I, Ashley Holubek, and Jacob Button, own Cali, and we believe she isn't a dangerous dog. We had gotten Cali as a rescue. In her past she was left in a basement. She grew up not knowing right from wrong. She was not violent towards our dog or cats when we brought her home. After a month or so she went into her first heat. My other dog, Dallas, started showing major aggression towards Cali. We made the decision to get him neutered and there hasn't been any issues since. Unfortunately Cali has managed to bite two dogs since we've had her. Both attacks were unprovoked and I admit 100% that they were our fault. I am very thankful on the other dog's parts, that the attacks were minor. The first time Cali somehow managed to get off of her yard chain. We replaced it right away with a stronger, more durable yard chain. We made sure it was secure and she hasn't gotten off since. The second time my dad had left the big door open and she was able to push the screen door open. Since then my father has unfortunately passed away, leaving Jake and I the only people in the house. Him and I make sure the door is always shut unless we are right there. I don't believe these attacks should classify her as dangerous though. Many dogs do not like other dogs, but it is not their fault. Yes, mistakes have been made that led to



these unfortunate events, but we made sure we solved the issue. If anyone could see Cali while she's in our home, they would see that she isn't dangerous. Never once has she bit a person. There are children here often and the worst she's done is overloaded them with kisses. I am having a baby soon, believe me when I say she would be renamed if I was afraid of Cali harming him. Like I mentioned, she has issues with other dogs, but that can be prevented. Our new neighbors have recently updated the old fence in between our yards, and I have every intention of fencing in the little chunk that is left and we plan on doing that as soon as possible. She is always on her chain when she is outside and we keep an eye on her. If we go on walks I have no problem muzzling her for the safety of other dogs. We take the blame for what has happened and promise we will do everything we can for precaution. We also plan on spaying her as soon as we can. Between vet bills, the baby, and my dad passing, money is tight so I'd appreciate like 60 days to get her fixed. Cali has come a LONG way since we got her. We keep working on training her. I believe in my heart she isn't dangerous. I would gladly consider her dangerous if there was a human attack. Given her

rough past and being so young, I hope you can understand how far she has come. I hope you agree that she shouldn't be labeled as dangerous because of mistakes that have made by us. I swear that the fence will be dog proofed as soon as possible and this will never happen again. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,
Ashtey Holubek $\frac{1}{3}$,
Jacob Button.