

WHEREAS the United States Food & Drug Administration has stated that it does not require use of the classic LD50 test but has not stated which tests it would find acceptable in lieu of the classic LD50; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of Agriculture has arbitrarily excluded rats, mice and birds used for research and testing purposes from the protection of the federal Animal Welfare Act despite the fact that rats and mice are estimated to comprise more than 90% of animals used in laboratories; and

WHEREAS a number of states exempt research and testing on animals from the protection of anti-cruelty statutes; and

WHEREAS the public, through taxation, pays for much of the research and testing involving animals, and therefore should have free access to information about the use of animals in laboratories; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that we shall initiate and support legislation, regulations, litigation and shareholder proposals that encourage corporations and institutions to promote and implement alternatives, thereby reducing animal use, pain and suffering. Some of the initiatives we support are to:

- Ban the classic LD50 test.
- Ban the Drazle rabbit eye test in cosmetic and household product testing.
- Eliminate, where applicable, provisions in state legislation which exempt animals used in research, testing and education from the protection of anti-cruelty statutes.
- Support legislation and regulatory action to promote alternatives and to facilitate and encourage the sharing of data and alternative methods.
- Support legislation and regulatory action which mandates that regulatory agencies specify which alternatives will be accepted by them to replace traditional animal tests.
- Support legislation to require the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to enforce the federal Animal Welfare Act (the

Endorsed by (List Incomplete):

- Alachua County Humane Society
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Gainesville, FL 32609
- Animal Aid, Inc.
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Portland, OR 97204
- Animal Care and Welfare SPCA
Box 8257
Pittsburgh, PA 15218
- Animal Control Center
City of Baton Rouge
PO Box 1471
Baton Rouge, LA 70821
- Animal Defense League
Berkeley-East Bay Humane Soc.
- Animal Welfare, Inc.
PO Box 4797
Shreveport, LA 71134-0797
- The Animal Welfare League of Greater Baltimore, Inc.
PO Box 3558
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- Athens County Humane Society
PO Box 765
Athens, OH 45701
- Belleville Area Humane Society
PO Box 253
Belleville, IL 62222
- Berkley-East Bay Humane Soc.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to secure enactment of legislation that requires the basic behavioral and physical needs of farm animals be met, so that America's farm animals are assured the following minimum standards:

the freedom to be able to stand up, lie down, extend their limbs or spread their wings; and make other normal postural adjustments; an adequate supply of nutritious food; adequate veterinary care; and an environment that suits their physical and behavioral requirements.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to eliminate, where applicable, state legislation which exempts animals used for food from the protection of anti-cruelty statutes, as regards husbandry practices.

RESOLVED that to facilitate the establishment and passage of such legislative efforts, we shall encourage state and federal bodies to study alternative systems used in other countries as well as existing practices in the United States.

RESOLVED that we shall work cooperatively with consumer and environmental organizations and farm groups to accomplish our goals, so that legislation is compatible with current initiatives aimed at protecting farmers, consumers, farm animals, and the environment.

WILD ANIMALS

WHEREAS millions of wild animals are killed each year for their fur; and

WHEREAS these animals are either caught in cruel traps which main their victims; or are kept for their entire lives in confinement with little consideration given to their basic behavioral and physical needs; or are otherwise hunted and killed; and

WHEREAS wild animals often are brutally killed by trappers for their fur, and animals raised for their fur are generally killed by methods that cause suffering; and

WHEREAS trapping, hunting and raising of animals for their fur are unjustifiable, cruel practices that in addition to causing pain, suffering

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- El Paso County Humane Society, Inc.
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El Paso, TX 79988
- Flagler County Humane Society
PO Box 36
Palm Coast, FL 32135-0824
- Golden State Humane Society
Animal Care Center
11901 Gilbert St.
Garden Grove, CA 92641
- Greenville-Greene County Humane
- The Hopkinton Humane Society, Inc.
PO Box 23
Hopkinton, MA 01746-0023
- Houston Animal Rights Team
PO Box 4400
Houston, TX 77244
- Humane Education Committee
PO Box 445
New York, NY 10028
- Humane Education Network
PO Box 7434
Menlo Park, CA 94026
- Humane Society of Calaveras County
PO Box 216

RESOLVED that we shall work together in an effort to enact laws to ban particularly cruel practices associated with the capture and raising of animals for their fur such as, but not limited to, the use of steel jaw leghold traps.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to secure the passage of laws to prohibit particularly cruel hunting practices and activities.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to secure passage of a law to prohibit sport hunting and trapping on national wildlife refuges.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to require local and federal wildlife agencies to develop and promote programs to curb overpopulation of wildlife through means which do not involve the killing of animals.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to ensure that species are appropriately designated as threatened or endangered and receive the protection afforded under federal laws and international treaties.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to secure a ban on the indiscriminate use of drift and purse seine nets.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to secure passage of legislation and regulations to end the slaughter of dolphins by the tuna industry; and to urge the public not to purchase tuna products derived from fishing practices that result in the death of dolphins.

COMPANION ANIMALS

WHEREAS millions of stray, homeless and unwanted dogs and cats are euthanized each year at animal shelters and pounds; and

WHEREAS countless dogs and cats that are abandoned, along with those animals that are lost or born on our streets, die from starvation, accidents, the elements or abuse; and

WHEREAS wild animals are often kept as pets despite the fact that few people have the

knowledge or ability to provide humane care and a suitable environment to house these animals; and

WHEREAS millions of dogs are mass produced

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- Humane Society of Santa Clara Valley
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Santa Clara, CA 95050
- Humane Society of Shenandoah County, PO Box 173
Woodstock, VA 22664
- Humane Society of Wasnaga County
Boone, NC 28607
- Lee County Humane Society, Inc.
PO Box 50430
Fort Myers, FL 33905-0430
- Leesburg Humane Society, Inc.
PO Box 895334
Leesburg, FL 34789-5334
- Lycoming County SPCA
2805 Reach Road
Williamsport, PA 17701
- Marion County Humane Society
Route 3/Box 236
Lebanon, KY 40033
- Mobilization for Animals
Pennsylvania, PO Box 99762

WHEREAS millions of animals are used in circuses, zoos, carnivals, rodeos, races, films, videos and in other animal acts, exhibits and work; and

WHEREAS these animals often are made to perform in ways that are both dangerous and unnatural for their species; and

WHEREAS the behavioral and physical needs of these animals often are not adequately provided for; and

WHEREAS the training practices that animals are subjected to are often abusive; and

WHEREAS some animals are captured from their natural habitats for the sole purpose of putting them on public display; and

WHEREAS the confinement of animals in zoos, roadside zoos, and menageries results in indiscriminate breeding and production of large numbers of captive animals, which are often subject to cruel and abusive treatment and disposal; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that we shall work together to secure the enactment of laws to prohibit abusive training practices, to prohibit practices that are dangerous to the animals, to prohibit the capture of animals in the wild to be used for exhibition or work purposes, to limit the breeding of captive, wild animals and to prohibit their cruel disposition and to require that the behavioral and physical needs of exhibition/work animals be considered.

RESOLVED that we shall work together to secure greater enforcement of laws and regulations which provide protection to animals used for exhibition/work purposes.

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