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The Honorable Brian Fitzpatrick  
Brian Fitzpatrick for All of Us  
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Langhorne, PA 19047

Dear Congressman Fitzpatrick,

On behalf of Animal Wellness Action (AWA), a national policy and political organization seeking to enhance and advance legal protections for animals, we are pleased to endorse your re-election campaign for U.S. Congress.

In the 118th Congress, you have continued to be an incredible leader on animal welfare, introducing the Puppy Protection Act and also the Kangaroo Protection Act, showing again that you are arguably the top animal welfare advocate in the U.S. House of Representatives. While the Puppy Protection Act takes aim at the long-known problem of puppy mills, the Kangaroo Protection Act is a more obscure problem but one that annually spawns immense suffering. That measure aims to curb the massive trade in kangaroo skins used for manufacturing soccer shoes and to put an end to the largest commercial slaughter of land-based wildlife in the world.

You also co-sponsored the FIGHT Act; the MINKS are Superspreaders Act; the FDA Modernization Act 3.0; and the Greyhound Protection Act. This kind of consistent support, across the broad span of animal exploitation problems, has been a hallmark for your career in Congress

We also deeply appreciate your resolve in voting against H.R. 764 earlier this year, despite efforts by Republican leaders to discourage you from opposing that bill. This irresponsible bill sought to weaken the Endangered Species Act by prematurely delisting gray wolves across the lower 48 states. Your vote against this legislation, which could have opened the door to trophy hunting and commercial trapping, reflects your steadfast dedication to protecting endangered species.

Respect for American democracy and the proper treatment of animals are fundamental values that must be preserved and protected. The way we treat animals, as individuals and as a nation, is a measure of our core values and decency as a society. Here at AWA, we fully understand that cruel and callous treatment of animals is typically entangled with other anti-social behaviors that make our neighborhoods and communities less safe for families.

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We are grateful for your leadership and strong expressions of support on a wide range of pro-animal welfare policies. Please feel free to contact me with any questions at all at [wayne@animalwellnessaction.org](mailto:wayne@animalwellnessaction.org) or (202) 420-0446. We support your re-election this fall and look forward to working with you in the 119th Congress.

Sincerely,



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