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The Honorable Jared Huffman
Huffman for Congress
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Dear Representative Huffman:

On behalf of Animal Wellness Action (AWA), a national policy and political organization dedicated to advancing legal protections for animals, we are pleased to endorse your re-election campaign to the U.S. Congress. Your strong advocacy and leadership on numerous animal welfare issues earn our full support.

Throughout the 118th Congress, you have consistently championed animal welfare. Your co-sponsorship of key bills such as the FIGHT Act (H.R. 2742) and the SAFE Act (H.R. 3475) demonstrates your commitment to protecting animals. We look forward to continuing our collaboration on further initiatives.

We also deeply appreciate your leadership in opposing H.R. 764 in 2024. This irresponsible bill, introduced by House Republican leadership, sought to weaken Endangered Species Act protections by stipulating that Congress prematurely delist gray wolves across the lower 48 states. Your work on the floor to rally opposition was greatly appreciated. With your help, we nearly defeated it..

Additionally, we commend your opposition to the EATS Act, which would undermine California's Prop 12, a ballot measure approved by voters in 2018 with overwhelming support. We'll need your continuing engagement to keep this measure or any derivative of it out of the final Farm bill.

In prior years, you have been a dedicated cosponsor and active supporter of the Big Cat Public Safety Act and the FDA Modernization Act 2.0. Your leadership on banning mink farming and opposing the trade in bear gallbladders and bile for Traditional Chinese Medicine has been inspiring. Your sustained commitment to animal protection issues demonstrates principled leadership in the Congress.

Respect for American democracy and the humane treatment of animals are fundamental values that must be safeguarded. The way we treat animals reflects our society's core values and decency. At AWA, we recognize that cruelty to animals often correlates with broader societal issues that can threaten the safety of our communities.

We are grateful for your continued leadership and strong support of pro-animal welfare policies. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions at wayne@animalwellnessaction.org or (202) 420-0446. We fully support your re-election this fall and look forward to working together in the 119th Congress.

Sincerely,



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