



February 10, 2026

Lizzie Pannill Fletcher for Congress
3262 Westheimer, PMB 636
Houston, TX 77098

Dear Congresswoman Fletcher,

On behalf of Animal Wellness Action (AWA), a national policy and political organization dedicated to strengthening and advancing legal protections for animals, we are pleased to endorse you in the Democratic primary election on March 3, 2026, for Texas' 7th Congressional District.

Your record reflects a steady and principled commitment to animal welfare and humane public policy. In the 119th Congress, you have continued to demonstrate leadership through your sponsorship of key legislation and your votes opposing measures that would weaken longstanding animal protections.

We are grateful for your co-sponsorship of the Fighting Inhumane Gambling and High-Risk Trafficking (FIGHT) Act ([H.R. 3946](#)), which strengthens enforcement against dogfighting and cockfighting and targets the criminal enterprises connected to these cruel practices. We also appreciate your support for the Save America's Forgotten Equines (SAFE) Act, [H.R. 1661](#), which would permanently prohibit the slaughter of horses and other equines for human consumption.

In addition, your co-sponsorships of the Puppy Protection Act ([H.R. 2253](#)) and the Prevent All Soring Tactics (PAST) Act ([H.R. 1684](#)) reflects a strong commitment to ending chronic cruelty in commercial dog breeding operations and eliminating the abusive practice of horse soring.

Your voting record further demonstrates your leadership on wildlife protection. Last year, you voted against [H.R. 845](#), legislation that strips essential federal protections away from gray wolves and weakens the Endangered Species Act. Your opposition to this ill-advised measure is deeply appreciated.

We also continue to commend your opposition to the EATS Act, one of the most retrograded agricultural policy proposals to come before Congress. The EATS Act would override voter-approved state farm animal welfare laws, undermine states' rights, and benefit multinational corporations at the expense of animals, family farmers, and democratic decision-making.

Respect for animals is inseparable from respect for our shared values. The way a society treats animals reflects its moral character, and cruelty toward animals is often intertwined with broader social harms that undermine community safety. Your record shows a clear understanding of these connections and a willingness to act.

We are grateful for your leadership and strong support for humane public policies. We proudly support you in the March 2026, Democratic primary election and look forward to continuing our work together in the 119th Congress.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wayne Pacelle". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Wayne Pacelle
President
Animal Wellness Action