



June 12, 2026

The Honorable Nicole Malliotakis  
Nicole for New York  
2300 Richmond Road  
Staten Island, NY 10306

Dear Congresswoman Malliotakis:

On behalf of Animal Wellness Action, a national policy and political organization dedicated to advancing legal protections for animals, I am pleased to endorse your re-election campaign for the United States House of Representatives.

We are grateful for your leadership in introducing a number of bills and amendments, primarily related to animal testing and also to the mass killing of baby chicks in the egg industry.

We applaud your successful efforts to secure House passage of two amendments to the Fiscal Year 2027 Agriculture-FDA Appropriations Act aimed at reducing and ultimately ending painful animal testing. These amendments would limit federal funds from being used to require testing on dogs through the FDA and restrict USDA funding for painful research involving dogs and cats. There is a growing bipartisan consensus that modern, humane, and scientifically advanced alternatives should replace outdated animal testing methods.

You introduced the EGG SAVE Act, [H.R. 5776](#), bipartisan legislation designed to accelerate the adoption of in-ovo sexing technology and end the needless culling of millions of male chicks each year in the egg industry. This commonsense measure embraces innovation and demonstrates that animal welfare and agricultural advancement can go hand in hand.

We also commend your leadership as a co-lead of the FBI Animal Cruelty Taskforce Act, [H.R. 3683](#), a landmark measure that would establish a specialized unit within the Federal Bureau of Investigation to combat severe acts of animal cruelty, including dogfighting, cockfighting, and the production and distribution of animal crush videos. Animal cruelty is often linked to broader patterns of criminal behavior, and your efforts recognize the important connection between protecting animals and protecting communities.

We also want to acknowledge your opposition to the amendment from Rep. Riley Moore to punch a major hole in the Greyhound Protection Act.

We appreciate your cosponsoring the FIGHT Act, [H.R. 3946](#); the SAFE Act, [H.R. 1661](#); the Greyhound Protection Act, [H.R. 5017](#); the CARGO Act, [H.R. 1085](#) and the FDA Modernization Act 3.0, [H.R. 2821](#). This is an impressive roster of bills. Given your forward-thinking sensibilities, we also urge you to cosponsor H.R. 7371, the No Flight, No Fight Act, and H.R.1477, the Animal Cruelty Enforcement. They are very much aligned with your leadership in the realm of improving enforcement of our federal anti-cruelty laws.

Respect for animals and the rule of law are values shared by millions of Americans. We recognize that acts of cruelty toward animals are often intertwined with violence, organized crime, and other threats to public safety. Your work in Congress demonstrates an understanding of these connections and a commitment to advancing practical solutions that benefit both animals and society.

Thank you for your leadership and your partnership on these important issues. We proudly endorse your re-election and look forward to continuing our work together in the years ahead.

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.

Wayne Pacelle  
President  
Animal Wellness Action