



July 16, 2026

Stefany Shaheen
Stefany Shaheen for Congress
P.O. Box 193
Manchester, NH 03105

Dear Stefany,

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 your campaign for the Democratic nomination in New Hampshire's 1st Congressional District on September 8, 2026. Your mother has certainly exhibited a consistent concern for animal welfare during her service in the U.S. Senate.

Your responses to our congressional candidate questionnaire demonstrate a strong commitment to advancing practical, bipartisan animal protection policies. We appreciate your support for legislation to combat animal cruelty, strengthen enforcement against organized animal fighting, protect companion animals, improve the welfare of farm animals, conserve wildlife, modernize medical research, and safeguard America's iconic wild horses and burros. We are especially grateful for your opposition to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's billion-dollar plan to kill hundreds of thousands of barred owls, as well as your support for protecting endangered wildlife through the Endangered Species Act.

We were especially moved by your story about your daughter Elle and her medical alert dog, Coach. Coach's unwavering devotion and lifesaving service illustrate the extraordinary bond between people and animals and the profound impact they can have on our lives. Your family's experience reflects the compassion that is essential in leaders who seek to advance thoughtful animal protection policies.

Animal Wellness Action values candidates who recognize that preventing cruelty, protecting wildlife, and strengthening enforcement against animal abuse are bipartisan priorities that also promote public safety, public health, and responsible stewardship. We appreciate your commitment to these issues and your willingness to champion them in Congress.

We are proud to support your candidacy and wish you every success in the September 8th Democratic primary. We look forward to working with you to advance commonsense, bipartisan policies that protect animals and reflect the values of compassion shared by the people of New Hampshire.

Best wishes for a successful campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Wayne Pacelle". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wayne Pacelle
President
Animal Wellness Action