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Chairman Floyd Prozanski Senate Committee On Judiciary 900 Court St. NE Salem Oregon 97301

Re: SB 723 Support

Dear Chairman Prozanski and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written comments in support of SB 723, legislation that would ban coyote killing contests in Oregon.

The majority of Oregon residents join me in feeling such contests are cruel, unethical and unsporting. In addition, coyotes are native to Oregon and play a role in maintaining a healthy ecosystem.

Scientific research has shown that such hunts disrupt stable coyote packs and that random killings can cause an increase of coyote numbers. I would prefer a scientific approach to control of nuisance animals rather than random killings.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

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