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I am in support of this bill. Animals are sensitive creatures, they experience fear, pain, and trauma just as humans do. People are often deaf to the voices of animals but they mourn the loss of their children, they cry and exhibit signs of pain when under duress, and the opposite is also true; they show positive excitement, or joy, when they are rescued from abusive situations, or reunited with loved ones. Animals can suffer in all the same ways as humans and they clearly have personalities, so they should be treated as persons. For obvious moral and ethical reasons there are laws against enslaving and exploiting other humans, the same laws should be extended to animals.