

Jillian Michaels

April 11, 2012

The Honorable John D. Rockefeller
United States Senate
531 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

Via e-mail: senator@rockefeller.senate.gov

Dear Senator Rockefeller:

Even though 80 percent of American voters oppose horse slaughter, tens of thousands of U.S. horses continue to be shipped to slaughterhouses in Canada and Mexico each year, and Congress recently restored funding for the U.S. Department of Agriculture to inspect horse meat—opening the door for horses to be butchered in the U.S. I am writing today to ask you to support the American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act of 2011 (S. 1176/H.R. 2966), which would “prohibit the shipping, transporting, moving, delivering, receiving, possessing, purchasing, selling, or donation of horses and other equines to be slaughtered for human consumption, and for other purposes.” If passed, it would effectively end the use of U.S. horses for food—both here and abroad.

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I am writing now to ask you to hold a hearing in the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation on the American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act of 2011. I join millions of animal advocates across the country in urging you to consider this bill.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

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The Honorable Mary Bono Mack
104 Cannon House Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515

Via e-mail: info@marybono.com

Dear Congresswoman Bono Mack:

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The Honorable Thomas J. Rooney
1529 Longworth House Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515

Via e-mail: info@tomrooney.com

Dear Congressman Rooney:

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I am writing now to ask you to hold a hearing in the House Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry on the American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act of 2011. I join millions of animal advocates across the country in urging you to consider this bill.

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The Honorable Fred Upton
2183 Rayburn House Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515

Via e-mail: action@vote4upton.org

Dear Congressman Upton:

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The Honorable Frank D. Lucas
2311 Rayburn House Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515

Via e-mail: AgRepublicanPress@mail.house.gov

Dear Congressman Lucas:

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