



California Wolf Center
Conservation, Education, Research



THE HUMANE SOCIETY
OF THE UNITED STATES

Living with Wolves



June 18, 2014

California Fish and Game Commission
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1320
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Gray Wolf Listing & Commitment to Wolf Planning Effort

President Sutton, Vice President Bayliss and Commission Rogers:

On behalf of our organizations and our approximately 1,520,000 members and supporters in California, we write to express our deep appreciation for your leadership in protecting the gray wolf under the California Endangered Species Act on June 4, 2014. Your support of the petitioned action is a reflection of your diligence and good faith effort to listen to and evaluate the submitted information – including best available science and public testimony – and to act accordingly. We are thankful for your landmark vote that will benefit wolves, other wildlife and California's diverse ecosystems for future generations.

We also wish to express our ongoing support of the Stakeholder Working Group efforts to create a California Wolf Management Plan and to assure both the Commission and the Department of Fish & Wildlife that we are fully committed to seeing the process through to the completion of the plan. Our intention is to help create the best plan possible for the conservation and management of wolves once they become established in California. With the continued dedication of Department staff, we are optimistic that this crucial process and its output will be successful in guiding wolf management in our state well into the future.

Thank you once again for your due diligence and for your vote to protect wolves as they continue their long journey to recovery in the Pacific West.

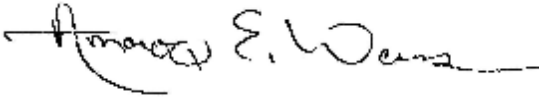
Most Sincerely,



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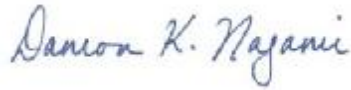


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