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STATEMENT OF CONGRESSMAN PETER DEFAZIO

Predator Defense has worked tirelessly for the last 25 years to end the government war on predators. The Animal Damage Control Act, signed into law in 1931, enlisted the U.S. Department of Agriculture in a killing campaign against wildlife, and millions of animals have been trapped, poisoned, shot, and snared with our tax dollars. Predator Defense has my wholehearted thanks for being equally relentless and committed to ending this inhumane, inefficient, unjustifiable federal program.

Predator Defense has been an invaluable ally in my efforts to reform Wildlife Services and eliminate funding for the lethal predator control program. Our shared mission has been to make a strong case against lethal predator control, and we have made progress. I know public opposition will continue to grow as Predator Defense exposes more and more Americans to the cruel and dangerous activities of Wildlife Services.

There are challenges ahead, but Predator Defense has an impressive record of forceful advocacy and an admirable ability to get things done—and done well. You have earned my respect and admiration.

Please accept my congratulations on this notable anniversary.