



Dear Friend of Cats Aren't Trophies,

A billionaire and avid trophy hunter — his study filled with lion, elephant and rhino body parts on the wall — just added more cash to the pile to fight against the citizens for wildlife that is Prop 127.

Trophy hunters have no shame, but they do have a ton of money.

We cannot let them win. The only thing stopping us is to match their dollars flowing in.

It's become a tale of the power of good-natured citizens vs. evil that brings a particular brand of hatred for nature.

And how it ends depends on you.

Trophy hunters promote a dark brand of hate in order to justify their lust to kill lions and in the cruelest ways.

They send out dogs, who get hurt, break bones and backs, but they don't care, they have surplus dogs.

They tell stories of wild cats as demons, selfishly decimating the deer they want to hunt for themselves, and make voters think wild cats have desires to kill you and your children.

The truth is that mountain lions are beautiful, shy and elusive. They purr. They nurture their young and are playful. They are just not that into us.

Mountain lions also deserve respect. They are the cleansers of environmental disease of the forest; they are the overseers to keep our deer, elk and ecosystems healthy and alive.

Please donate to protect Colorado's big cats!

Read this remarkable piece in [The Denver Post](#) by COL. Tom Pool, a hunter, rancher and veterinarian, who explains in detail how lions are the best hope to stem the spread of Chronic Wasting Disease of Colorado that is ravaging deer and elk today:

“We must not allow a small segment of big-cat trophy hunters to undercut the balance in our ecosystems. Nor should we countenance their inhumane, unsporting conduct.”

Trophy hunters are weak. They need to selfishly dominate and kill the biggest cat just to sell this fake legend of the “hunt” that is just walking a few steps from the car to shoot a poor defenseless animal out of a tree.

This is not hunting.

They also want to sell our beautiful bobcats, their skinned fur to make more cash for themselves. They take pleasure in choking an animal for 3 minutes, or drowning her, or bludgeoning her over the head.

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But we know the difference between ethical hunting of our grandfathers, and this disgusting bloodsport. We can see them for who they are. We cannot let them or their brand of hatred for nature win.

Money is pouring in from dark sources with no experience with wildlife conservation, wildlife management or any related animal sciences background.

Two D.C.-based outfits — Building America's Future, a conservative SuperPAC, and the Concord Fund, a group working to get more conservatives on the federal judiciary — have donated \$1.5 million to the "No on 127" campaign and their October donations constitute more than half of all of the money to the opposition since inception of its campaign. Dollars supplied for the two opposition committees funded by the dark money groups cumulatively add up to \$3 million so far against the measure.

The trophy hunters at Safari Club International gave \$350,000. The Fur Takers of America (who concentrate on killing bobcats) tossed in \$35,000.

In contrast, there are more than 1,000 Colorado donors for the "Yes on 127" committee, led by the Weld County-based The Wild Animal Sanctuary, founded by Pat Craig, at \$996,000.

Our answer is you. We need you to spread the word about the ethical and scientific case for Prop 127. Please share [our e-postcard](#). And we need a final infusion of dollars to match their ads.

Will you dig deep one more time today to allow us to match their ads dollar for dollar?

Voting wraps up soon, and many more voters will cast their ballots between now and then. **There truly is not a minute to waste. We need your help.**

Please donate today!

*For the cats,
Samantha Miller
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