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Letters to the editor: It's a no-brainer to vote 'yes' for Prop 127

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Who would ever want to support a dark fringe industry that asks, “Should I slowly choke this bobcat to death in its cage, or inject it with acetone, or just bludgeon it to crack its skull open?” For the sole purpose of selling the unoffending beautiful animal to make some money by turning it into someone’s frivolous fur coat. In China.

Who would want to live in a world where

any random peaceful native wild cat at any moment can be hunted down by a gang of dogs, shot out of the tree it turns to for refuge. To be mounted on someone's living room wall?

Who would accept the logic that if you eat it, you can kill it any which way. If I shoot your dog, and eat it, this means you should thank me.

Who would call themselves a hunter for disrupting nature with the chaos of buzzing drones flying to aid dogs with GPS-laden collars, to spot and terrorize any feline for personal pleasure. Leaving her kittens to die slowly from starvation and dehydration.

A "yes" vote on Prop 127 is for the sake of our sanity and humanity. All lion hunting is always done with dogs, and

upgraded technology like smartphones will continue to provide lions zero respect or chance at survival.

Opponents talk about science yet offer none. Science does not support cruelty.

Opponents instill fear, attacking the very nature of shy, elusive cats and the humans who care about their overall well-being tied to healthy ecosystems.

Opponents hate lions for eating deer they wish to hunt themselves, pretending 50 years of science doesn't exist informing them it's mountain lions who keep deer herds healthy and robust.

Opponents claim they care about ranching and pets yet pretend science doesn't exist to inform them that hunting

lions increases predation on livestock and pets.

Opponents prey on voters' egos and irrational fears of a shy predator who has always lived among us and wants nothing to do with us.

Don't give into hatred and buzzwords. Vote "yes" on Prop 127.

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