



Dear Friend,

We have a very short time to do a world of good for wildlife.

In just 28 days the ballots are set to be mailed out to vote on Prop 127, Cats Aren't Trophies.

We can't lose, the stakes are just too high.

A Yes vote stops the November Trophy Hunt to spare 500 mountain lions. It stops the traps from being set to bait our bobcats, indiscriminately, by the hundreds just to sell their prized spotted fur.

But first we have to raise \$3 million to get our message out to TV advertising.

We have momentum on our side.

Native wild cats picked up support from actor, director and environmental advocate Robert Redford this week, along with Dr. Jane Goodall, and high-profile political personas from opposite sides of the aisle, former U.S. Rep. Tom Tancredo, a Republican, and former U.S. Rep. and former U.S. Sen. Mark Udall, a Democrat.

Here are some very inspiring quotes.

The key is to let them sink in, and share them widely. Every conversation counts and leads to support we need financially for advertising, followed by votes.

Because trophy hunting elites are pouring millions into the campaign against us.

To win, we have to fight. And we have to have the ammunition to counter their lies and their falsehoods.

Only we can lead voters on the path to stop the cruelty of hounding lions and bobcats. The bludgeoning and strangling of bobcats in baited traps. The "guaranteed kills" served up to trophy hunters by guides who lead the shooter to a tree to kill a cornered, terrified cat.

So please enjoy these amazing words to inspire you today:

"Preserving the natural balance of Colorado's wilderness means respecting all its inhabitants. Mountain lions and bobcats are vital to the ecosystem, and their lives should not be reduced to trophies or pelts. Banning trophy hunting and fur trapping is not just about protecting these

magnificent creatures — it's about safeguarding the integrity of our natural world for future generations.”

Both Redford and his children attended CU-Boulder.

“These magnificent animals are sentient beings and like us can feel happy, sad, nervous and fearful. This means they can suffer mentally as well as physically. They are not out there to be shot for trophies or to make money,” **stated Dr. Jane Goodall, PhD, DBE, a UN Messenger of Peace.**

“I led efforts in Congress to combat animal fighting, and I don't like the idea of the open-air fights that result when packs of dogs corner or overtake a lion or bobcat,” **observed Congressman Tom Tancredo, a conservative Republican who served in the U.S. House for a decade.** “Nor do I like the unsporting nature of shooting a lion or a bobcat out of a tree for a trophy or strangling a bobcat in a trap to take the fur and send it to China. I far prefer that Colorado Parks and Wildlife handle wildlife management matters, but Coloradans have petitioned the Colorado Wildlife Commission and appealed to the General Assembly to enact these popular reforms and have been turned away. The ballot initiative should be used very sparingly, but this to me is a proper application of this constitutional option given that other channels of decision-making have been exhausted. I recommend my fellow Coloradans to join me in voting YES to combat cruelty to animals.”

“As a Coloradan, avid outdoorsman and someone who has a proven track record of working to protect our state's magnificent healthy landscapes and wildlife within, I am pleased to support Prop 127,” **noted former U.S. Sen. Mark Udall, who also served several terms in the U.S. House.** “This measure conserves our ecologically valuable apex feline predators, by protecting both lions and bobcats from commercial trophy hunting. The sole purpose of such hunting is to sell the heads and fur of these remarkable and inspiring animals for selfish profit. There have been no legitimate reasons to continue the commercial killing of cats and lions for many decades. Now is the time to enshrine that undeniable truth into law.”

The public must understand why they must vote YES. And support this measure.

Will you spread the word and dig deep to get the message out? This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to help animals. The cats are looking to each one of us to help. We can stop trophy hunters and commercial trappers from terrorizing and killing them for their beautiful coats.

Will you donate today to help our organization fight for bobcats, mountain lions and other animals?

*For the cats,
Samantha Miller
Cats Aren't Trophies, Campaign Manager*