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Proposition 127 is a no-brainer for dog lovers

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As a Colorado veterinarians, we join 117 of our peers to write a letter to vote yes on Proposition 127.

Prop 127 is designed to protect native wildlife from unethical and unscientific trophy hunting and fur trapping.

There's another issue: the dogs used and abused, set out to fight to kill mountain lions and bobcats.

Colorado allows trophy hunting guides paid \$8,500 to send out a dog pack to contain a mountain lion in a tree.

As advertised, these guides will "take you to your trophy," where the dogs have "treed your trophy." Guaranteed 100%.

The client is driven offroad into remote forest, as a phone app tracks the GPS signal bouncing off the dogs' collars.

There's loud barking and dogs climbing trees. Some dogs get hurt, suffering broken backs and have even been abandoned. There's surplus dogs in case.

The client shoots, watching the lion fall. He executes her on the ground as she's swarmed by dogs.

Each is one of 500 lions killed yearly as recreation. Bobcats are chased by dogs.

These activities are not for Colorado. We do not allow dogs to chase wildlife, except for wild cats, which makes no sense when you see the incredible harm it causes both dogs and wild cats.

Here is a terrible image of a cat bloodied by a dog pack in the so-called hunt:
tinyurl.com/y23a2j7h.

Animals fight as cruel trophy hunters watch the horror show called animal fighting, and it's actually illegal. Trophy hunting, however, is legal.

This kind of disgusting activity has no place in our state where we protect our dogs and can choose not to send them out to fight lions.

This vote is a no-brainer for dog lovers of Colorado, so vote yes on Prop 127.

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