

To the members of the Environment Committee:

I am writing to you in support of bill HB5104 "An Act Prohibiting the Import, Sale, and Possession of African Elephants, Lions, Leopards, Black and White Rhinos and Giraffes", co-sponsored by state Sen. Majority Leader Bob Duff and state Rep. Michael Winkler. Please help put a stop to this insane behavior by giving your consideration of the points raised at the public hearing at the state Capital this Friday, Feb 21. These animals need our support and compassion and not a license for their extinction. This is just another example of how detached and un-in-touch with the natural world we have become. Trophy hunting has no justification other than our own selfish needs and greed, and by one estimate only 3% of the revenue generated goes back into conservation efforts. Connecticut residents don't need this kind of this kind of frivolity and the State of CT does not need to support it by issuing permits for the barbaric murder of beautiful sentient beings. Please help protect the lives of these already nearly extinct beings that have as much right to live peacefully on this planet as we do.
SUPPORT HOUSE BILL 5104

Sincerely,

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