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To: Rep. Donovan, Susan R; Rep. Giraldo, Joshua J.; Rep. Potter, Brandon C.; Rep. Ackerman,

Mia A.; Rep. Azzinaro, Samuel A.; Rep. Bennett, David A.; Rep. Cotter, Megan L.; Rep. Fenton-Fung, Barbara Ann; Rep. Fogarty, Kathleen A.; Rep. Handy, Arthur; Rep. Kislak, Rebecca M.; Rep. McGaw, Michelle E.; Rep. Place, David J.; Rep. Speakman, June; Rep.

Stewart, Jennifer A.

Cc: House Health and Human Services Committee

Subject: House Bill No. 7886

Dear Chair Donovan, First Vice Chair Giraldo, Second Vice Chair Potter, and Members of the Health and Human Services Committee,

I have sent this message to urge you to support H.7886. This bill bans the sale of cosmetics developed/manufactured using animal testing.

As a long-time member of the chemical manufacturing industry, as a senior manufacturing chemist in the pharmaceutical industry and previously specialty chemicals industry, I can tell you that the testing of such products using animals is both unnecessary and unacceptably harmful to the animal subjects who suffer from such testing.

RI should take advantage of this opportunity to join the eleven states (California, Hawaii, Illinois, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, and Virginia) which, for good reason, have already banned the sale of animal-tested cosmetics.

Attached below are links to articles on alternatives to such testing.

https://www.crueltyfreeinternational.org/why-we-do-it/alternatives-animal-testing

https://www.peta.org/issues/animals-used-for-experimentation/alternatives-animal-testing/

Testing on animals is obsolete, very frequently redundant, and unnecessary.

I support this long overdue bill and I, therefore, ask that you vote in favor H. 7886.

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Modern Warrior: Damien Mander video - the inspirational evolution of an unlikely animal welfare activist (11 min. that might change your life):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9FCsyK4aRXQ

Sincerely,