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To: Rep. Craven, Robert E.

Subject: Ban Foie gras - pass House Bill 5731/Senate Bill 471 out of committee

Dear Representative State Rep. Robert Craven,

As a Rhode Island resident, I am writing to urge you to support House Bill 5731/Senate Bill 471 and to commit to bringing it up for a vote. This measure bans the production and sale of foie gras from ducks and geese who are force-fed with a pipe shoved down their throats to cause their livers to expand ten times the normal size. More than a dozen countries, plus the state of California and New York City, have already outlawed this cruelty, and Rhode Island should do the same.

There was compelling testimony presented in committee along with overwhelming Rhode Island citizen support for House Bill 5731/Senate Bill 471. Very few restaurants in Rhode Island sell foie gras and many citizens have never even heard of it. Enacting this humane legislation will prevent unnecessary and intolerable cruelty without causing undue economic hardship.

Thank you for your concern and consideration. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely, Susan Campoli

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