

March 14, 2025

The Right Honourable Mark Carney  
Prime Minister of Canada  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Prime Minister Carney,

On behalf of Humane Canada, I am writing to extend our congratulations on your recent landslide election to lead the Liberal Party of Canada.

Founded in part by a Liberal Senator in 1957, we are the federation of humane societies and SPCAs who represents more than 50 organizations in all 10 provinces and two territories. At Humane Canada, our mission is to end animal cruelty, improve animal protections and promote the humane treatment of all animals.

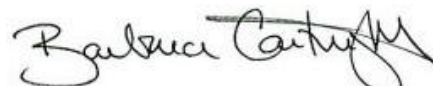
Humane Canada has enjoyed a longstanding relationship with the Liberal Party of Canada, which has been an enthusiastic leader for change in animal welfare in this country over the past nine years. From Bill C-84, a Canadian first which modernized the definition of bestiality to include all acts of sexual abuse against animals to S-5 which commits Canada to ending toxicity testing in animals, Humane Canada has worked diligently alongside members of your party to assist in bringing those pieces of legislation to life. We are also a trusted partner of Women and Gender Equality Canada, and enjoy excellent relationships with staff at Justice, Public Safety, Agriculture and Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada.

It is a relationship we look forward to strengthening with this new chapter that you will be leading for both the Liberal Party and for Canada, with big changes guided by strong Canadian values. Canadians care very deeply about animals – companion, farmed and wild – and how they are treated is at the core of our national values. Humane Canada strongly believes that the federal government should continue to lead in policy initiatives that reflect these values and work to improve animal welfare in Canada.

I have attached Humane Canada's policy platform for your review and consideration in your vision to build the strongest, the fairest and most free country in the world.

Once again, congratulations on your election to lead the Liberal Party of Canada and on becoming the 24<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister of Canada. We look forward to working together to create a more Humane Canada not only for all animals, but also the people who care for them.

Yours very truly,



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## **About Humane Canada**

Humane Canada, formerly known as the Canadian Federation of Humane Societies, is the only national organization representing humane societies and SPCAs in Canada. We drive positive, progressive change to end animal cruelty, improve animal protection and promote the humane treatment of all animals.

Our 50 member organizations (listed below) include societies in every province and two territories. These are the very organizations that Canadians have depended upon, not only to care for abused and abandoned animals, but also to advocate for greater care and protection of animals and to provide community resources, research, and humane education. Humane Societies and SPCAs are among the oldest and most trusted social institutions in the country.

## Member Organizations

Alberta Animal Rescue Crew  
Society

Alliston and District Humane  
Society

Animatch

Association of Animal Shelter  
Administrators of Ontario

BC SPCA

Burin Peninsula SPCA

Burlington Humane Society

Calgary Humane Society

Canadian Association for  
Humane Trapping

Central Alberta Humane  
Society

Charlotte County SPCA Inc.

Cochrane & Area Humane  
Society

Edmonton Humane Society

Exploits Valley SPCA

Fort McMurray SPCA

Fredericton SPCA

Gander & Area SPCA

Georgian Triangle Humane  
Society

Guelph Humane Society

Hamilton Burlington SPCA

Happy Valley Goose Bay  
SPCA

Humane Society Dawson

Humane Society Hastings  
Prince Edward

Humane Society Kawartha  
Lakes

Humane Society London &  
Middlesex

Humane Society of Greater  
Niagara

Medicine Hat SPCA

Miramichi SPCA

Montreal SPCA

New Brunswick SPCA

Northwest Territories SPCA

Nova Scotia SPCA

Oakville & Milton Humane  
Society

Ontario SPCA & Humane  
Society

Oromocto & Area SPCA

Ottawa Humane Society

Prince Edward Island  
Humane Society

Regina Cat Rescue

Regina Humane Society

Saskatchewan SPCA

Saskatoon SPCA

Sault Ste. Marie & District  
SPCA

Société protectrice des  
animaux de Québec

Southwest Coast SPCA

SPA de l'Estrie

SPCA de L'Outaouais

St. Johns SPCA

The Humane Society of  
Kitchener Waterloo &  
Stratford Perth

Thunder Bay and District  
Humane Society

Toronto Humane Society

Victoria Humane Society

Windsor Essex County  
Humane Society

Winnipeg Humane Society