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Chairman Antoine M. Thompson,
Senate Environmental Conservation Committee
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Dear Chairman Thompson,

[Organization Name] fully supports the legislation proposed in bill **S00845** which outlaws shooting contests in New York. The bill is sponsored by Senator Marcellino and is currently in the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee pending review.

The enactment of this bill would provide for the elimination a wanton abuse of wildlife. The practice of “shooting contests” cannot be justified by any standard of ethics. Most ethical hunters oppose the practice. To gratuitously shoot wildlife for amusement bears no resemblance to ethical hunting. It is time to outlaw this barbaric practice in our state.

We are counting on your backing of this important legislative proposal by placing it on the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee agenda as soon as possible and urging a favorable report on this bill from your committee members.

Yours,

Etc.