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Chairman Antoine M. Thompson,  
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Dear Chairman Thompson,

[Organization Name] fully supports the legislation proposed in bill **S05423** which allows municipalities to regulate trapping with their jurisdiction, sponsored by Senator Serrano and is currently in the Environmental Conservation Committee pending review.

The enactment of this bill would allow municipalities to protect their residents, their residents' pets and children from traps that can now be set close to homes, schools, walking/running paths, and other public places. Some counties have had trapping bans or restrictions overturned in the past. Dogs, cats, birds, and other non-target animals have been caught and killed in traps. This bill is not a ban; it allows each county or town to make its own decisions regarding regulation of trapping within its jurisdiction.

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.