August 30, 1971

Lecompton, Kansas 66050

Dear [Name]

Thank you for your letter of August 27, urging my support of legislation to protect our fish and wildlife.

As you may know, H.R. 5060, to prohibit the shooting of wildlife from airplanes, passed the House on May 17. This bill is currently pending before the Senate Commerce Committee, along with similar legislation, with no action scheduled to date. Likewise, S. 249, the Nature Protection Act, is pending before the Commerce Committee, with no action as of yet taken or scheduled. However, you might be interested in knowing that legislation was enacted in the last Congress, the Endangered Species Conservation Act, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to publish a list of fish, or wildlife by name which have been found to be threatened with extinction and to establish penalties for any violation of the protective clauses in the law.

In any event, I, too, share your concern over the inhumane treatment of our wildlife and the possible extinction of certain species, and you may be assured each bill in this area will receive my most careful attention and consideration, bearing in mind your interest.

Thank you again for writing, and if I may be of assistance in the future, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
U. S. Senate

BD/jbh
Dear Senator Dole,

I would be very grateful if you would support these bills when they come up before the Senate:

H.R. 5060, a bill to prohibit the shooting of wildlife from aircraft.

S. B. 249, a bill which would prohibit the hunting, capturing, killing, taking, transporting, selling, or purchasing of any species of fish or wildlife in danger of becoming extinct.

Thank you very much for your valuable time.

Sincerely,

[Signature]