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September 27, 1995

Ms. Patti Gross
President
Humane Society of Miami County
Post Office Box 136
Paola, KS 66071

Dear Ms. Gross:

Thank you for your letters regarding the humane treatment of horses. I appreciate your contacting me.

I believe that the legislation you were referring to is H.R. 2143, the Downed Animal Protection Act. This bill would amend the Packer and Stockyard Act of 1921 to make it unlawful for any stockyard owner, market agency, or dealer to transfer or market nonambulatory cattle, sheep, swine, horses, mules or goats. H.R. 2143 was introduced on July 31 and is pending in the House Committee on Agriculture. As this legislation is pending in the House of Representative, I could not become a co-sponsor. However, should similar legislation be introduced in the Senate, I will certainly review it closely.

Thank you for sharing your support for the humane treatment of horses.

Sincerely,

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HUMANE SOCIETY OF MIAMI COUNTY
P.O. Box 136
Paola, KS 66071

Mike

April 28, 1995

Dear Honorable Robert Dole,

We realize that you are terribly busy right now. You did say that if President Clinton could be President and run for President that you could be a Senator and run for President.

I have enclosed a copy of our original letter and a copy of your response. We specifically asked you to sponsor legislation. Four months later we receive what appears to be a form letter that does not address the issue in the least. We are disappointed.

Respectfully,

Patti Gross
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President
HSMC

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Pls see me on this -

*J.Y.
Torrey*

HUMANE SOCIETY OF MIAMI COUNTY

P.O. BOX 136

PAOLA, KS 66701

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December 15, 1994

Dear Honorable Robert Dole,

We have been informed that the Humane Society of the United States is seeking introduction of a bill in Congress designed to prohibit abuse of horses being sent to slaughter and to put into place regulations that will afford the greatest possible protection for these animals. We would like to urge you to sponsor specifically the humane slaughter horse transportation legislation that the HSUS is supporting.

We are told that approximately a quarter of a million horses of all breeds, in fine and poor health, and as young as a few months old, are slaughtered every year in the U.S. to be shipped to other countries for human consumption. They are shipped sometimes for days, on tightly packed, double-decker trucks designed for cattle. They are not watered, fed, rested or even separated by gender, age, or size on these trips through freezing or sweltering weather. Fighting, trampling and even death are common occurrences on these terrifying, long trips. These horses, sold at auction to the "killer buyers" for slaughter, end up on the dinner tables of wealthy

Europeans, Japanese and Mexicans.

We would like to think we are a more compassionate nation of people than to tolerate such abuse of such beautiful animals. In light of the negative publicity Kansas received several years ago with the Puppy Mill issue this could be our opportunity to show the nation that the people of Kansas are caring people.

Respectfully,

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April 18, 1995

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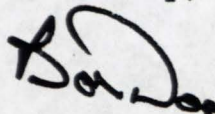
Dear Ms. Gross:

Thank you for taking the time to write and share with me your comments on the treatment on horses. I appreciate hearing from you and apologize for the delay in my response.

It is helpful to me to have your views on this subject, and I will certainly keep them in mind should relevant legislation come before the Senate.

Again, thank you for contacting me.

Sincerely,



BOB DOLE
United States Senate

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H.R. 2143

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H.R. 2143 by ACKERMAN (D-NY) -- Dawned Animal Protection Act

Official Title (Caption):

A bill to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, to make it unlawful for any stockyard owner, market agency, or dealer to transfer or market nonambulatory cattle, sheep, swine, horses, mules, or goats, and for other purposes.

Introduced on Monday, July 31, 1995

Committee Referrals:

House Committee on Agriculture

Overview (Copyright (c) 1995 Legi-Slate, Inc.):

The bill [H.R.2143] would make it illegal for any dealer, stockyard owner or market agency to buy, sell or transport any animal that is unable to stand and walk unassisted, unless the animals have been humanely "euthanized",

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the process of slaughtering an animal by means that render it unconscious before it is killed. Further, the legislation would provide penalties of not more than \$2,500 for violations. To assess these fines, it would count each day that offenders are found in violation and each breach, as separate violations. To accomplish these purposes, the measure would amend the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921, (section 217a of title 7, U.S. Code).

Outlook (Copyright (c) 1995 Legi-Slate, Inc.):

As of Monday, September 25, 1995, no committee hearings or other action had been scheduled for this measure.

Pending Committee Schedules:

Currently, none

All Specified Actions:

07/31/95 -- In The HOUSE

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Referred to House Committee on Agriculture

Companion or Similar Bills:

Currently, no Companion or Similar bills for H.R. 2143

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