

To: Committee Clerk Molly Wingrove

Re: Input for 1/27/22 meeting of House Natural Resources & Outdoor Recreation Cmte

We urge the Committee to vote NO on SCR7, a joint resolution urging the NRC to organize a wolf hunting and trapping season.

We are lifelong UP residents and outdoor enthusiasts who have traveled as far as Yellowstone, Minnesota, and Northern Canada with the main goal of seeing and studying wolves. We have also seen wolves in the wild here in Upper Michigan on several occasions, including on acreage where we resided near Gwinn, and experienced no problems with them. We also had consistently adequate deer and other wildlife populations in that area throughout the years.

In the last decade, Michigan voters overwhelmingly voted twice against hunting and trapping Michigan's wolves.

Michigan's wolf population has remained stable over the past several years. Public outcry against wolves is largely based on politics and spread of rumors and misinformation, as well as lack of education which should have been/should be provided by the MI DNR.

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