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The Honorable Julie Alexander, Chair House Agriculture Committee P.O. Box 30014 Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Rep. Alexander:

As a member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), the John Ball Zoo would like to have its opposition to HB 4680 added to the Committee's record. We have concerns over who can and cannot bring large carnivores into Michigan and do not support the legislation.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions please contact me or our lobbyist Rusty Merchant with McAlvey Merchant & Associates.

Sincerely,

Michael Lomonaco

Chief Development and Community Engagement Officer

John Ball Zoo