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House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4304

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Ms. Mary Nash
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Dear Ms. Nash:

Thank you for your correspondence regarding H.R. 857, the American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act, and the Sonora Wild Horse Repatriation Project. I always appreciate hearing from constituents about issues that are important to them.

As you may know, H.R. 857, introduced by Representative John Sweeney on March 3, 2003, would prevent the slaughter of horses in and from the United States for human consumption by prohibiting the slaughter of horses for human consumption and by prohibiting the trade and transport of horseflesh and live horses intended for human consumption. This legislation has been referred to the House Agriculture, House International Relations, and House Ways and Means Committees.

From my perspective, we should strive to treat all animals as humanely as possible. If I should have the opportunity to vote on this bill or any other legislation regarding the Sonora Wild Horse Repatriation Project in the future, you can rest assured that I will continue to keep your views in mind.

Again, thank you for contacting me. If I can be of any further assistance regarding this or any other Federal matter, please do not hesitate to contact me. With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



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