May 8, 2020

The Honorable Eduardo Garcia, Chair
Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife
1020 N Street, Room 160
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 2523 Fish and Game Commission: youth hunting program.

Dear Chair Garcia and Esteemed Members of the Committee,

PawPAC is opposed to the sport hunting of animals, and therefore is opposed to the goal of Assemblymember Gray's AB 2523 to increase opportunities to hunt big game, upland game birds, and migratory game birds for youth with terminal illnesses and youth who lost a parent in service to the state. What irony, to kill another living being as catharsis for a terminal illness. These youths could be directed to any number of other productive therapies that provide a sense of wholeness and wellness for themselves, other people, the earth and all of its creations.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak for those who otherwise have no voice.

Sincerely,

René Rowland, Chair

Because COVID-19 is the prevailing issue at this time, we are adding this message to every letter this year:
We urge the Legislature to address the live food markets in California. We are aware of previous efforts to halt the animal abuse in the markets, and a bill to ban the import of frogs and turtles has been presented to various offices without success. Please see our ***coalition letter to Governor Newsom and Surgeon General Burke Harris****.*

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