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A RESOLUTION To End The Wisconsin Wolf Hunt

Nearly 400 grey wolves have been killed in Wisconsin over the past two years. The original goal of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources was to reduce a wolf population of around 800 wolves to 350, a number that most scientists, including University of Wisconsin Researcher and Associate Professor Adrian Treves, have stated is unsustainable. The grey wolf is an important part of our state's biodiversity.

Regarding deer killed by wolves, the WDNR/UW study has shown that wolves only account for 6% of deer kills in Wisconsin, a number on par with deer kills caused by motorists. While wolves do help control numbers of destructive wildlife including many rodent species, they are not a significant factor in deer population.

Given that 117 wolves were killed in 2012 and that 257 wolves were killed this last season, bringing the total killed to 374, a number that the majority of scientists agree is not sustainable and is detrimental to the state's biodiversity, be it RESOLVED that no hunting of grey wolves is allowed in the state going forward until the numbers of wolves in Wisconsin surpass a population of 1,000.

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