Resolution to Extend Pheasant Hunting Season in Certain Counties

The Issue: The substantial majority of the pheasants harvested in Wisconsin are pen-raised at the DNR Game Farm at Poynette and released into the wild. The funding for the raising of the pheasants is paid by sportsmen and women. A number of these released pheasants remain unharvested at the end of the pheasant season. Most counties in Wisconsin have very little natural reproduction of pheasants. An extended pheasant season in those counties would provide more hunting opportunities for pheasant hunters without harming the pheasant resource.

Proposed Change: Would you support the Conservation Congress and other state-wide hunting groups work with the Department of Natural Resources to extend the closing date of the Wisconsin pheasant season until February 28 (coinciding with the close of rabbit season) in counties designated by the Department to have low levels of natural reproduction.

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