Citizen Resolution # 600221

(For Hearing Officer completion)

Legitimacy of Shining for Deer and Proposal for Banning

Whereas, every year me and many others work very hard on planting grain crops along with other forages and bedding cover to not only enhance our personal land but to enhance the overall deer herd. This benefits all neighboring landowners and public lands nearby. Animals gather on properties such as these, and are left alone to act naturally and feed. However, it is generally very easy for others to notice a properly set up wildlife sanctuary, and if it has roadside property many show up to shine and harass these animals. There is no benefit for them to be able to shine animals on someone else's land. The lights illuminate the animal and unfortunately it seems many poachers are now taking advantage of crossbows to steal these wonderful and precious natural resources from everyone. This matter should not be taken lightly and if not corrected will impact the desire of land owners and managers to enhance properties.

Be it resolved, On April 12th, 2021 that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting: Would you support the Conservation Congress work with the Department of Natural Resources and state legislators, if required, to ban shining statewide?

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