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RE: H.297

To: Vermont General Assembly Committee on Fish, Wildlife, and Water Resources

I love the beautiful state of Vermont and have spent numerous summers near Post Mills while my daughter was at Lochearn Camp. It is a state filled with people who value the beauty of the natural world. That is why I am calling on you today to support H297, the bill to ban the trade in ivory and rhino horn in the state. By voting to support this bill, Vermont will do its part to end the horrible massacre of wild elephants and rhinos. Even though Africa is a half world away, poaching syndicates and terrorist groups are poaching these majestic animals to extinction for buyers in China and the U.S. It is an awful trade that will leave no animals in the world for our children. We need to step in.

We have the power to stop the demand. Ivory is being sold in shops throughout the U.S. Please be the change and support H297.

Many thanks for your time.

Sincerely, Robin Goldman