

Castle Honored by Humane Society for Animal Welfare Work -- March 9, 2007

Washington D.C. -- Delaware Congressman Mike Castle was recently honored as a "Humane Advocate" by The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) and Humane Society Legislative Fund (HSLF) for his advocacy on animal welfare issues considered by the Congress in 2006 and for receiving a perfect score on the annual Humane scorecard.

For the 109th Congress, which spanned 2005 and 2006, Castle was recognized for his support of legislation to protect pets in disasters and stop horse slaughter for food exports; co-sponsorship of bills to crack down on animal fighting and stop the sale of "downer" farm animals too sick or injured to walk; signing a letter requesting funding for enforcement of animal welfare laws; and for his leadership on animal legislation.

"We are tremendously grateful to these lawmakers for their leadership and support for animal protection policies," said Wayne Pacelle, president and CEO of the HSUS. "To pass humane laws, we need humane lawmakers. Representative Castle deserves this important recognition for his compassion."

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