Our Goals for 2009

Expand programs to help animals affected by the financial crisis, such as abandoned horses and pets surrendered to shelters because of home foreclosures.

End Canada’s annual harp seal hunt, the largest slaughter of marine mammals in the world.

Pass federal legislation to crack down on puppy mills and enact state laws to do the same, especially in Missouri, the nation’s top puppy mill state.

Work to advance animal protection through our 100-point “Change Agenda for Animals” submitted to the Obama administration.

Launch a nationwide public service campaign to promote the adoption of dogs and cats from animal shelters and combat pet homelessness in the Gulf Coast region through low-cost spay/neuter services and a public awareness campaign.

Block the launch of wolf hunting programs in the lower 48 states.

Reduce the suffering of farm animals by banning tail docking and other mutilations, imposing more state bans on factory-style confinement systems, and convincing major food retailers like Wal-Mart and Costco to stop selling eggs from battery cages and other factory farm products.

Keep the heat on animal fighters through law enforcement training, tip lines, and reward programs.

End the use of chimpanzees in invasive research and retire all 500 federally owned chimps to sanctuaries.

Halt the export of U.S. horses for slaughter in Canada and Mexico and ban the transport of horses in double-decker trailers.