

# HSUS- In Their Own Words

Below: the goals of the Humane Society of the United States, revealed in the words of its leaders.

## **Wayne Pacelle**

*HSUS CEO and President*

"We believe in the 'Three Rs' - reducing the consumption of meat and other animal-based foods; refining the diet by eating products only from methods of production, transport, and slaughter that minimize pain and distress; and replacing meat and other animal-based foods in the diet with plant-based foods."

(Farm & Dairy Magazine, April 2009)

"We have no ethical obligation to preserve the different breeds of livestock produced through selective breeding. ... One generation and out. We have no problem with the extinction of domestic animals. They are creations of human selective breeding."

(Animal People, May 1993)

"When asked if he envisioned a future without pets, "If I had my personal view, perhaps that might take hold. In fact, I don't want to see another dog or cat born'."

(Bloodties: Nature, Culture and the Hunt by Ted Kerasote, p. 266, 1993)

"No amount of cleanliness or good will makes up for confinement."

(HSUS Town Hall meeting, July 2009 in Washington, D.C.)

"If we just spent our time on the care of animals in distress we won't hit the causes that our social movement must address."

(2009 Taking Action for Animals conference in Washington, D.C.)

"Human population growth is ultimately one of the most significant that we as a movement have to grapple with. It's a simple equation that more consumers translates into more animals raised for food...For the sake of the animals, there's nothing more powerful than changing your diet."

(Vegan.com , October 1998)

## **Paul Shapiro**

*HSUS Senior Director, Factory Farming Campaign*

"We should use the growing strength of the movement to harness public awareness that animals raised for food have personalities."

(2009 Taking Action for Animals conference in Washington, D.C.)

"Nothing is more important than promoting veganism."

(2004 National Student Animal Rights Conference)

**Josh Balk**

*HSUS Outreach Director, Factory Farming Campaign*

““It is needed for farm animals that we get people to eat more vegetarian meals ... We just have to reduce the number of animals that are raised for food. And we can do so by encouraging people to eat more vegetarian meals.”

(2009 Taking Action for Animals conference in Washington, D.C.)

**John (J.P.) Goodwin**

*HSUS Manager of Animal Fighting Issues*

“My goal is the abolition of all animal agriculture.”

(AR-views, and animal rights Internet discussion group)

**Miyun Park**

*Former HSUS Director, Factory Farming Campaign*

“HSUS’ objective is “to get rid of” the egg and broiler industries in the United States.”

(2006 Animals and Society Institutes' Strength of Many Conference)

“The good news, and what is really going to help immensely, is the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) just passed their vegan policy. They are seen as the mothering organization for the SPCAs, shelters and animal control agencies. And the fact that they have adopted a vegan policy may just be the major breakthrough to bring others along. All HSUS expos, trainings, conferences will be vegan.”

- Kim Sturla, in Nov-Dec 2004 SATYA Magazine