

# Animal Welfare Vs Animal Rights



## **Animal Welfare Activists' Beliefs:**

*We seek to improve the treatment and well-being of animals.*

We support the humane treatment of animals that ensures comfort and freedom from unnecessary pain and suffering.

We believe deeply in the human animal bond and the important role animals play in our lives.

We oppose all efforts to end our interaction and historic relationship with animals.

Animals are our property. We "own" them legally which enables us to protect them from all harm.

## **“Animal Rights” Activists' Beliefs are:**

*They seek to end all use, breeding, sales and ownership of animals.*

They believe that any use of an animal is exploitation so, not only must we stop using animals for food and clothing, but pet ownership must be outlawed as well.

They seek legal rights (personhood) for animals equal to humans in our courts of law.

They use false and unsubstantiated allegations of animal abuse to raise funds, attract media attention and bring supporters into the movement. (The Inhumane Crusade, Daniel T. Oliver)

## **Capital Research Center**

Animal rights groups profess to work for improved animal treatment while their ultimate goal is to abolish the following:

- 1) the breeding and owning of pets;
- 2) the use of animals in biomedical research;
- 3) the raising of farm animals for food, clothing, and by-products such as insulin;
- 4) the use of animals in education and entertainment, including zoos, aquariums, circuses and rodeos; and 5) all forms of hunting (including field trial competition), trapping and fishing.

## **FBI Report on Terrorism on Animal Enterprises (9/2/1993)**

“Many advocates of animal rights oppose all ways in which animals are confined and utilized by humans, whether it be for food, clothing, servitude, or household pets.”

“All extremist animal rights groups are believed to be associated with each other by leadership, membership, or both.”

## **Quotes From The Animal Rights Movement**

**Wayne Pacelle:** (Former President of the Humane Society of the United States, former Executive Director of Fund for Animals). HSUS operates no pet shelters; has no affiliation with the local, state, or federal government:

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

**Ingrid Newkirk:** National Director of PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals)

"For one thing we would no longer allow breeding. People could not create different breeds. If people had companion animals in their homes, these animals would have to be refugees from the animal shelter and the streets ... But as the surplus of cats and dogs declined, eventually companion animals would be phased out and we would return to a more symbiotic relationship - enjoyment at a distance."