Animal Victory Petition (Excerpt) Title: Sign: Hunter Tortured Injured, Duct-Taped Wolf At Bar Before Fatal Shooting

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Daniel, Wyoming – A Wyoming hunter has found himself at the center of public disgust and outrage for torturing an injured wolf before killing the animal behind a bar. The man at the center of the controversy is 42-year-old Cody Roberts. The firestorm of outrage stems from the February 29 incident when Roberts allegedly ran over the young wolf with a snowmobile, causing enough injury to the animal that he was able to capture it.

Roberts proceeded to take the wolf home, where he wrapped the snout with red tape before heading to the Green River Bar to show off his injured and muzzled "prize." The images from the bar are heart-wrenching — Roberts is beaming while the injured, muzzled young wolf sits by his side, terrified and in pain, waiting for life to end. Though killing a wolf is legal in the county, torturing a wolf is not.

According to the Wyoming Game & Fish Department, Roberts was cited for a misdemeanor violation of Wyoming Game and Fish Commission regulations, Chapter 10, Importation and Possession of Live Warm-Blooded Wildlife. The citation carried a paltry \$250 fine.

We, the undersigned, demand that Cody Roberts face more than a misdemeanor violation for the torture and torment of a young wolf. This petition serves as our collective endorsement of Roberts facing the actual consequences of his actions. Together, we will work to protect wildlife. Animal cruelty is animal cruelty, regardless of whether the animal is

domesticated or wild. Animal Victory is petitioning Mr. Clayton Melinkovich, Sublette County Attorney, for felony animal cruelty charges, and Governor Mark Gordon, with our demand for better wildlife protection in the state, in addition to the maximum felony punishment allowed by law for Cody Roberts.

Individuals are presumed innocent until found guilty in a court of law. Animal Victory relies upon the authorities and the court system to determine guilt or innocence. Note: The above is an excerpt for reference; see the live petition for full text and updates.