The undersigned organizations, each advocating for the conservation of nature through the sustainable use of wildlife:

1) **RECOGNIZE** that the practice of shooting lions bred in captivity has otherwise been referred to as “canned lion hunting”, “captive bred lion hunting”, or using combinations thereof;

2) **AGREE** that whatever the terminology used; and whether legal or illegal; the practice is not consistent with the definition of responsible, sustainable, fair chase hunting;

3) **HIGHLIGHT** that the practice is contrary to the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Resolution WCC-2016-Res-013 on ‘Terminating the hunting of captive-bred lions (Panthera leo) and other predators and captive breeding for commercial, non-conservation purposes’;

4) **EMPHASIZE** that the shooting of lions bred in captivity damages the reputation of all hunters;

5) **CALL ON** any Governments that allow the legal shooting of lions bred in captivity, to consider the wider implications to responsible, sustainable, fair chase hunting;

6) **COMMIT** to discouraging members of signatory organizations from engaging in the practice of shooting lions that have been bred in captivity;

The signatories agree that this statement may be amended, as further information becomes available, should the signatories jointly agree on and sign the revised text.

Other organizations in agreement with this statement are encouraged to join as co-signatories. Organizations are invited to contact one of the existing signatories should they be interested in joining.
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