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The Honorable Bruce Westerman Chairman **House Committee on Natural Resources** 1324 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Raul Grijalva **Ranking Member House Committee on Natural Resources** 1332 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Westerman and Ranking Member Grijalva,

On behalf of our millions of members, the National Rifle Association (NRA) applauds the introduction of H.R. 764, the "Trust the Science Act," to delist the Gray Wolf from the endangered and threatened species lists and return the management of the species to the states.

For decades, NRA-ILA has flatly opposed the federal cookie-cutter approach to wildlife management. Instead, NRA members advocate for scientifically-grounded methodologies which pair accurate, localized wildlife data with public conservation policy managed by state-level agencies.

This legislation would not only allow states to better manage wolves, but it would also benefit hunters by allowing them to play a more active role in broader wildlife management. NRA-ILA remains committed to ensuring that hunters continue to play a vital role and have a voice in the management and conservation of America's wildlife.

The NRA thanks Rep. Lauren Boebert and Rep. Tom Tiffany for their continued commitment to protecting the future of American wildlife.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director, NRA-ILA