

Mayor Rachael Wright
Litchfield Council

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Dear Mayor Wright:

Hello from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA). Ahead of Boxing-Day shopping, we want to propose placing a placard in the crook of Humpty Doo's Big Boxing Croc's arm. Reading "I'm not your Boxing Day bag", the placard would remind holiday shoppers to make compassionate purchases this festive season, including avoiding items made from wild-animal skins. In exchange, we will help cover the cost of Croc's next repainting. An artistic impression is included below.

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Crocodiles endure torturous lives on farms in Australia (including the Northern Territory) and suffer violent deaths to become handbags, luggage, shoes and other trinkets. Australia feeds a massive portion of this violence, supplying 60% of the world's crocodile skins used in fashion, mostly from animals [kept in putrid concrete tanks barely bigger than their bodies](#).

The wild skins trade perpetuates egregious abuse against complex individuals. Crocodiles are doting parents, ostriches are social birds, and some snakes can sense and alleviate social anxiety in others. Yet [multiple PETA exposés](#) have revealed fashion industry workers bludgeoning live snakes with hammers; [hacking at crocodiles' necks and shoving metal rods down their spines](#); chopping off conscious lizards' heads with machetes; and slitting ostriches' throats in full view of their terrified flock mates.

The Big Boxing Croc can become more than a tourist attraction: he can help fight cruelty to animals, reminding holiday shoppers that every animal is someone, and that designer products made from their skin are *accessories to murder*.

We appreciate your consideration.

Yours sincerely,



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