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Dear Pacific Legal Foundation,

I'm writing to respectfully request your consideration and possible support for Petition for Regulation Change 2025-003, currently pending before the California Fish and Game Commission. This petition challenges the long-standing prohibition on domestic ferrets in California—a regulation that has persisted for decades without the due process, scientific justification, or constitutional safeguards required under California law.

At LegalizeFerrets.org, we advocate for the lawful recognition of domestic ferrets as companion animals. Our petition argues that the California Fish and Game Commission has exceeded its statutory authority under the California Administrative Procedure Act and Fish and Game Code by continuing to treat domestic ferrets as wild animals without ever conducting a public hearing or presenting scientific evidence to support this classification.

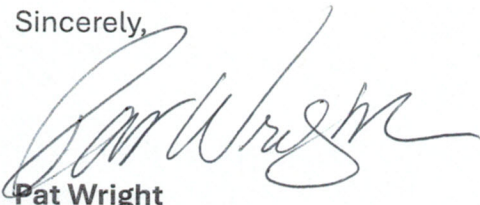
Despite ferrets being legal in 48 states and the District of Columbia, California remains an outlier—criminalizing a common household pet under a regulation enacted in 1931 with no administrative record, no environmental review, and no demonstrated threat to wildlife or agriculture. We believe this constitutes a clear case of government overreach and a violation of procedural and substantive due process rights.

Our aim is not only to correct this regulatory injustice but to uphold the broader principles of liberty, accountability, and transparency that are core to PLF's mission. We are currently pursuing this matter pro se, but the state's resistance—despite compelling legal and factual documentation—underscores the need for experienced legal advocacy.

We are enclosing the petition and supporting exhibits for your review. We would be honored to have Pacific Legal Foundation's insight, involvement, or guidance—whether that takes the form of direct representation, amicus support, or strategic advice.

Thank you for your commitment to protecting individual liberty and defending citizens against unlawful government action. We hope you will consider this case as aligned with your values and mission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pat Wright", with a stylized, flowing script.

Pat Wright

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