engage in anymore prevarication regarding its acceptance of a hybrid peacekeeping force. And we must ensure that this new U.N. Security Council resolution marks the beginning of the end of genocide in Darfur, by mandating the immediate deployment of a robust multinational peacekeeping force.

DOGFIGHTING

Mr. KERRY. Mr. President, on July 26, I introduced critical legislation to stem the rising tide of dogfighting in our country. Dogfighting is one of society's most barbaric and inhumane activities. The dogs are mistreated, starved and conditioned for aggression, and then allowed to literally destroy one another in the ring. As we have read in the recent indictment of Atlanta Falcon's quarterback Michael Vick on dogfighting charges, poor-performing dogs are tortured, maimed, and killed. This illegal and despicable activity has no place in a civilized society.

However, dogfighting has expanded its hold in recent years. The Humane Society of the United States estimates that 40,000 people in the United States are involved in professional dogfighting, and fight purses reach as high as $100,000. As many as 100,000 additional people are involved in ''streetfighting,'' informal dogfighting that often involves young people in gangs.

This legislation would place a Federal ban on all aspects of dogfighting activity from owning to transporting to training dogs for the purpose of fighting, to participating as a spectator at dogfighting ventures. I hope this legislation will end the practice of dogfighting in our country, once and for all.

This Congress's authority to make the lucrative commercial aspects of dogfighting a crime cannot be doubted. Just 2 years ago, the Supreme Court made clear in Gonzales v. Raich that Congress's authority under the commerce clause extends to local activities that are an integral component of interstate criminal activities.

This bill is well within that standard. As demonstrated in the Vick indictment and by the many law enforcement records, animal welfare reports, and economic studies that will be entered into the RECORD on this bill the—dogfighting industry has become nationwide in scope, and Congress is well within its authority to address both the nationwide framework and localized branches that are a critical part of that extensive criminal venture. We are dealing with a criminal industry has developed into a multifaceted, national and international commercial market that depends heavily upon illegal trafficking between States. Dogfighting is an inherently commercial and economic activity that has a substantial effect upon interstate commerce.

Dogfighting is an interconnected, nationwide, lucrative commercial industry. In addition to high-stakes gambling, dogfighters exchange tens if not hundreds of millions of dollars annually on the purchase and sale of fighting dogs. Dog fighters also make top dollar by breeding or selling ''stud'' privileges for fighting dogs, and can make top dollar by breeding dogs that have proven themselves in the ring by killing multiple other dogs.

This extensive commercial venture also requires trafficking in the specialized equipment necessary to train and house fighting dogs. There are even underground transport services to courier these dogs from one match to the next—assuming they survive. Dog fighters also make a living handling and training fighting dogs for well-funded sponsors—as we saw in the Vick indictment.

It could not be clearer that the overwhelming majority of dog fights—if not every single dog fight—are truly economic endeavors that involve some element of interstate commerce, such as animals, equipment, breeders, or spectators having traveled across State lines. Many dog fights are conducted for the purposes of illegal gambling, and some gambling on the sidelines is almost always present at these fights. Dogfighting also burdens interstate commerce by increasing the risk of injury or disease to both animals and humans, including dog bites, rabies, and heartworms.

What's more, small, localized dogfighting ventures, when viewed in the aggregate, have a substantial impact upon interstate commerce. As the allegations I mentioned earlier against Michael Vick and his codefendants demonstrate, large amounts of money are at stake in dogfighting matches, and winners often take home all or some portion of entry fees paid by other participants. The individual dogs used in fighting can have a commercial value of between hundreds of dollars and tens of thousands of dollars per animal. All of the activities associated with dogfighting, including gambling and other illegal activities, equipment outlays, breeding expenses, and promotion costs are not only inherently commercial in nature but transcend State boundaries.

By way of example, there are dozens of Federal criminal prohibitions on the local creation, possession, and sale of narcotics and narcotic-making equipment. Congress recognized that the illicit drug industry had become nationwide in scope, and chose to exercise its constitutional power to address the localized branches of that extensive criminal venture. Likewise, this bill responds to the proliferation of dog fighting into a nationwide criminal network of local ventures, which Congress is similarly authorized to address. Just look at the Endangered Species Act, which broadly restricts the killing, taking, or breeding of certain wild animals, in order to effectuate Congress's goal of preventing the extinction of imperiled species. The ESA has been upheld as a valid exercise of Congress's authority by every federal appeals court to address the issue, and the Supreme Court has repeatedly declined to upset those judgments.

The effects of dogfighting on interstate commerce are neither indirect, remote, nor attenuated. Regulation of dogfighting is necessary to prevent and eliminate burdens upon interstate commerce. In addition, the regulation of dogfighting is an essential part of a larger regulatory scheme, the Animal Welfare Act, which mandates the humane treatment of animals in our society.

PRESTICIDE REGISTRATION IMPROVEMENT RENEWAL ACT

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following chart be printed in the RECORD. It is a chart related to the Pesticide Registration Improvement Renewal Act, a bill that Senator CHAMBLISS and I plan to introduce shortly.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

EPA No.	New No.	Action	Decision time (months), PRIA II:			Registration Service Fee ($)
			FY #1	FY #2	FY #3	
TABLE 1.—REGISTRATION DIVISION—NEW ACTIVE INGREDIENTS						
R1	1	Food use (1)	24	24	24	516,300
R2	2	Food use; reduced risk (1)	18	18	18	516,300
R3	3	Food use; Experimental Use Permit application submitted simultaneously with application for registration; decision time for Experimental Use Permit and temporary tolerance same as #R4 (1).	24	24	24	570,700
R4	4	Food use; Experimental Use Permit application; establish temporary tolerance; submitted before application for registration; credit $326,025 toward new active ingredient application that follows.	18	18	18	380,500
R5	5	Food use; application submitted after Experimental Use Permit application; decision time begins after Experimental Use Permit and temporary tolerance are granted (1).	14	14	14	190,300
R6	6	Non-food use; outdoor (1)	21	21	21	358,700
R7	7	Non-food use; outdoor; reduced risk (1)	16	16	16	358,700
R8	8	Non-food use; outdoor; Experimental Use Permit application submitted simultaneously with application for registration; decision time for Experimental Use Permit same as #R9 (1).	21	21	21	396,800

EPA No.	New No.	Action	Decision time (months), PRIA II: FY #1	FY #2	FY #3	Registration Service Fee ($)
R9	9	Non-food use; outdoor; Experimental Use Permit application submitted before application for registration; credit $228,225 toward new active ingredient application that follows.	16	16	16	266,300
R10	10	Non-food use; outdoor; submitted after Experimental Use Permit application; decision time begins after Experimental Use Permit is granted (1)	12	12	12	130,500
R11	11	Non-food use; indoor (1)	20	20	20	199,500
R12	12	Non-food use; indoor; reduced risk (1)	14	14	14	199,500
new	13	Non-food use; indoor; Experimental Use Permit application submitted before application for registration; credit $100,000 toward new active ingredient application that follows.	18	18	18	150,000
R36	14	Enriched isomer(s) of registered mixed-isomer active ingredient (1)	18	18	18	260,900
new	15	Seed treatment only; includes non-food and food uses; limited uptake into Raw Agricultural Commodities (1)	18	18	18	388,200
new	16	Conditional Ruling on Preapplication Study Waivers; applicant-initiated	6	6	6	2,080
		TABLE 2.—REGISTRATION DIVISION—NEW USES				
R13	17	First food use; indoor; food/food handling (1)	21	21	21	157,500
R14	18	Additional food use; indoor; food/food handling	15	15	15	36,750
R15	19	First food use (1)	21	21	21	217,400
R16	20	First food use; reduced risk (1)	16	16	16	217,400
R17	21	Additional food use	15	15	15	54,400
R18	22	Additional food use; reduced risk	10	10	10	54,400
R19	23	Additional food uses; 6 or more submitted in one application	15	15	15	326,400
R20	24	Additional food uses; 6 or more submitted in one application; reduced risk	10	10	10	326,400
R21	25	Additional food use; Experimental Use Permit application; establish temporary tolerance; no credit toward new use registration	12	12	12	40,300
R22	26	Additional food use; Experimental Use Permit application; crop destruct basis; no credit toward new use registration	6	6	6	16,320
R23	27	Additional use; non-food; outdoor	15	15	15	21,740
R24	28	Additional use; non-food; outdoor; reduced risk	10	10	10	21,740
R25	29	Additional use; non-food; outdoor; Experimental Use Permit application; no credit toward new use registration	6	6	6	16,320
R26	30	New use; non-food; indoor	12	12	12	10,500
R27	31	New use; non-food; indoor; reduced risk	9	9	9	10,500
new	32	New use; non-food; indoor; Experimental Use Permit application; no credit toward new use registration	6	6	6	8,000
new	33	Review of Study Protocol; applicant-initiated; excludes DART, pre-registration conferences, Rapid Response review, DNT protocol review, protocols needing HSRB review.	3	3	3	2,080
new	34	Additional use; seed treatment; limited uptake into Raw Agricultural Commodities; includes crops with established tolerances (e.g., for soil or foliar application); includes food or non-food uses.	12	12	12	41,500
new	35	Additional uses; seed treatment only; 6 or more submitted in one application; limited uptake into Raw Agricultural Commodities; includes crops with established tolerances (e.g., for soil or foliar application); includes food and/or non-food uses.	12	12	12	249,000
		TABLE 3.—REGISTRATION DIVISION—IMPORT AND OTHER TOLERANCES				
R28	36	Establish import tolerance; new active ingredient or first food use [1]	21	21	21	262,500
R29	37	Establish import tolerance; additional food use	15	15	15	52,500
new	38	Establish import tolerances; additional food uses; 6 or more crops submitted in one petition	15	15	15	315,000
new	39	Amend an established tolerance (e.g., decrease or increase); domestic or import; applicant-initiated	10	10	10	37,300
new	40	Establish tolerance(s) for inadvertent residues in one crop; applicant-initiated	12	12	12	44,000
new	41	Establish tolerances for inadvertent residues; 6 or more crops submitted in one application; applicant-initiated	12	12	12	264,000
new	42	Establish tolerance(s) for residues in one rotational crop in response to a specific rotational crop application; applicant-initiated	15	15	15	54,400
new	43	Establish tolerances for residues in rotational crops in response to a specific rotational crop petition; 6 or more crops submitted in one application; applicant-initiated.	15	15	15	326,400
		TABLE 4.—REGISTRATION DIVISION—NEW PRODUCTS				
R30	44	New product; identical or substantially similar in composition and use to a registered product; no data review or only product chemistry data; cite-all data citation, or selective data citation where applicant owns all required data, or applicant submits specific authorization letter from data owner. Category also includes 100% re-package of registered end-use or manufacturing-use product that requires no data submission nor data matrix..	3	3	3	1,300
new	45	New product; identical or substantially similar in composition and use to a registered product; registered source of active ingredient; selective data citation only for data on product chemistry and/or acute toxicity and/or public health pest efficacy, where applicant does not own all required data and does not have a specific authorization letter from data owner..	4	4	4	1,560
R31	46	New end-use or manufacturing-use product; requires review of data package within RD; includes reviews and/or waivers of data for only: product chemistry and/or acute toxicity and/or public health pest efficacy	6	6	6	4,360
R32	47	New product; new physical form; requires data review in science divisions	12	12	.....	10,880
R33	48	New manufacturing-use product; registered active ingredient; selective data citation	12	12	12	16,320
new	49	New product; requires approval of new food-use inert; applicant-initiated; excludes approval of safeners	12	12	12	15,540
new	50	New product; requires approval of new non-food-use inert; applicant-initiated	6	6	6	8,300
new	51	New product; requires amendment to existing inert tolerance exemption (e.g., adding post-harvest use); applicant-initiated	10	10	10	11,420
new	52	New product; repack of identical registered end-use product as a manufacturing-use product; same registered uses only	3	3	3	2,080
new	53	New manufacturing-use product; registered active ingredient; unregistered source of active ingredient; submission of completely new generic data package; registered uses only.	24	24	24	233,000
		TABLE 5.—REGISTRATION DIVISION—AMENDMENTS TO REGISTRATION				
R34	54	Amendment requiring data review within RD (e.g., changes to precautionary label statements, or source changes to an unregistered source of active ingredient) [2].	4	4	4	3,280
R35	55	Amendment requiring data review in science divisions (e.g., changes to REI, or PPE, or PHI, or use rate, or number of applications; or add aerial application; or modify GW/SW advisory statement) [2].	8	8	8	10,880
R37	56	Cancer reassessment; applicant-initiated	18	18	18	163,100
new	57	Amendment to Experimental Use Permit; requires data review/risk assessment	6	6	6	8,300
new	58	Refined ecological and/or endangered species assessment; applicant-initiated	18	18	12	155,300
		TABLE 6.—ANTIMICROBIALS DIVISION—NEW ACTIVE INGREDIENTS				
A38	59	Food use; establish tolerance exemption [1]	24	24	24	94,500
A39	60	Food use; establish tolerance [1]	24	24	24	157,500
A40	61	§ 2(mm) uses [1]	18	18	18	78,750
A41	62	Non-food use; outdoor; uses other than FIFRA § 2(mm) [1]	21	21	21	157,500
A42	63	Non-food use; indoor; FIFRA § 2(mm) uses (1)	18	18	18	52,500
A43	64	Non-food use; indoor; uses other than FIFRA § 2(mm) (1)	20	20	20	78,750
new	65	Non-food use; indoor; low-risk and low-toxicity foodgrade active ingredient(s); efficacy testing for public health claims required under GLP and following DIS/TSS or AD-approved study protocol.	12	12	12	55,000
		TABLE 7.—ANTIMICROBIALS DIVISION—NEW USES				
A44	66	First food use; establish tolerance exemption [1]	21	21	21	26,250
A45	67	First food use; establish tolerance [1]	21	21	21	78,750
A46	68	Additional food use; establish tolerance exemption	15	15	15	10,500
A47	69	Additional food use; establish tolerance	15	15	15	26,250
A48	70	Additional use; non-food; outdoor; FIFRA § 2(mm) uses	9	9	9	15,750
A49	71	Additional use; non-food; outdoor; uses other than FIFRA § 2(mm)	15	15	15	26,250
A50	72	Additional use; non-food; indoor; FIFRA § 2(mm) uses	9	9	9	10,500
A51	73	Additional use; non-food; indoor; uses other than FIFRA § 2(mm)	12	12	12	10,500
A52	74	Experimental Use Permit application	9	9	9	5,250
new	75	Review of public health efficacy study protocol within AD; per AD Internal Guidance for the Efficacy Protocol Review Process; applicant-initiated; Tier 1	6	4	3	2,000
new	76	Review of public health efficacy study protocol outside AD by members of AD Efficacy Protocol Review Expert Panel; applicant-initiated; Tier 2	18	15	12	10,000
		TABLE 8.—ANTIMICROBIALS DIVISION—NEW PRODUCTS & AMENDMENTS				
A53	77	New product; identical or substantially similar in composition and use to a registered product; no data review or only product chemistry data; cite-all data citation, or selective data citation where applicant owns all required data, or applicant submits specific authorization letter from data owner. Category also includes 100% re-package of registered end-use or manufacturing-use product that requires no data submission nor data matrix..	3	3	3	1,050
new	78	New product; identical or substantially similar in composition and use to a registered product; registered source of active ingredient; selective data citation only for data on product chemistry and/or acute toxicity and/or public health pest efficacy, where applicant does not own all required data and does not have a specific authorization letter from data owner..	4	4	4	1,500
A54	79	New end use product; FIFRA § 2(mm) uses only	4	4	4	4,200

EPA No.	New No.	Action	Decision time (months), PRIA II: FY #1	FY #2	FY #3	Registration Service Fee ($)
A55	80	New end-use product; uses other than FIFRA § 2(mm); non-FQPA product	6	6	6	4,200
A56	81	New manufacturing-use product; registered active ingredient; selective data citation	12	12	12	15,750
A57	82	Label amendment requiring data submission (2)	4	4	4	3,150
New	83	Cancer reassessment; applicant-initiated	18	18	18	78,750
New	84	Refined ecological risk and/or endangered species assessment; applicant-initiated	18	18	12	75,000
New	85	New product; identical or substantially similar in composition and use to a registered product; registered active ingredient; unregistered source of active ingredient; cite-all data citation except for product chemistry; product chemistry data submitted.	4	4	4	4,200
		TABLE 9.—BIOPESTICIDE & POLLUTION PREVENTION DIVISION—MICROBIAL & BIOCHEMICAL PESTICIDES; NEW PRODUCTIONS & AMENDMENTS				
B58	86	New active ingredient; food use; establish tolerance [1]	18	18	18	42,000
B59	87	New active ingredient; food use; establish tolerance exemption [1]	16	16	16	26,250
B60	88	New active ingredient; non-food use [1]	12	12	12	15,750
B61	89	Food use; Experimental Use Permit application; establish temporary tolerance exemption	9	9	9	10,500
B62	90	Non-food use; Experimental Use Permit application	6	6	6	5,250
new	91	Extend or amend Experimental Use Permit	6	6	6	4,200
B63	92	First food use; establish tolerance exemption	12	12	12	10,500
new	93	Amend established tolerance exemption	9	9	9	10,500
B64	94	First food use; establish tolerance (1)	18	18	18	15,750
new	95	Amend established tolerance (e.g., decrease or increase)	12	12	12	10,500
B65	96	New use; non-food	6	6	6	5,250
B66	97	New product; identical or substantially similar in composition and use to a registered product; no data review or only product chemistry data; cite-all data citation, or selective data citation where applicant owns all required data, or applicant submits specific authorization letter from data owner. Category also includes 100% re-package of registered end-use or manufacturing-use product that requires no data submission nor data matrix.	3	3	3	1,050
B67	98	New product; registered source of active ingredient; all Tier I data for product chemistry, toxicology, non-target organisms, and product performance must be addressed with product specific data or with request for data waivers supported by scientific rationales.	6	6	6	4,200
new	99	New product; food use; unregistered source of active ingredient; requires amendment of established tolerance or tolerance exemption; all Tier I data requirements for product chemistry, toxicology, nontarget organisms, and product performance must be addressed with product-specific data or with request for data waivers supported by scientific rationales.	16	16	16	10,500
new	100	New product; non-food use or food use having established tolerance or tolerance exemption; unregistered source of active ingredient; no data compensation issues; all Tier I data requirements for product chemistry, toxicology, non-target organisms, and product performance must be addressed with product-specific data or with request for data waivers supported by scientific rationales.	12	12	12	7,500
B68	101	Label amendment requiring data submission (2)	4	4	4	4,200
new	102	Label amendment; unregistered source of active ingredient; supporting data require scientific review	6	6	6	5,000
new	103	Protocol review; applicant-initiated; excludes time for HSRB review (pre application)	3	3	3	2,000
		TABLE 10.—BIOPESTICIDE & POLLUTION PREVENTION DIVISION—STRAIGHT CHAIN LEPIDOPTERAN PHEROMONES (SCLPs)				
B69	104	New active ingredient; food or non-food use (1)	6	6	6	2,100
B70	105	Experimental Use Permit application; new active ingredient or new use	6	6	6	1,050
new	106	Extend or amend Experimental Use Permit	3	3	3	1,050
B71	107	New product; identical or substantially similar in composition and use to a registered product; no data review or only product chemistry data; cite-all data citation, or selective data citation where applicant owns all required data, or applicant submits specific authorization letter from data owner. Category also includes 100% re-package of registered end-use or manufacturing-use product that requires no data submission nor data matrix..	3	3	3	1,050
B72	108	New product; registered source of active ingredient; all Tier I data for product chemistry, toxicology, non-target organisms, and product performance must be addressed with product specific data or with request for data waivers supported by scientific rationales.	4	4	4	1,050
new	109	New product; unregistered source of active ingredient	6	6	6	2,200
new	110	New use and/or amendment to tolerance or tolerance exemption	6	6	6	2,200
B73	111	Label amendment requiring data submission (2)	4	4	4	1,050
		TABLE 11.—BIOPESTICIDE & POLLUTION PREVENTION DIVISION—PLANT INCORPORATED PROTECTANTS (PIPs)				
B74	112	Experimental Use Permit application; registered active ingredient; non-food/feed or crop destruct basis; no SAP review required (3)	6	6	6	78,750
B75	113	Experimental Use Permit application; registered active ingredient; establish temporary tolerance or tolerance exemption; no SAP review required (3)	9	9	9	105,000
B76	114	Experimental Use Permit application; new active ingredient; non-food/feed or crop destruct basis; SAP review required; credit $78,750 toward new active ingredient application that follows.	12	12	12	131,250
new	115	Experimental Use Permit application; new active ingredient; non-food/feed or crop destruct; no SAP review required; credit $78,750 toward new active ingredient application that follows.	7	7	7	78,750
B77	116	Experimental Use Permit application; new active ingredient; establish temporary tolerance or tolerance exemption; SAP review required; credit $105,000 toward new active ingredient application that follows.	15	15	15	157,500
new	117	Experimental Use Permit application; new active ingredient; establish temporary tolerance or tolerance exemption; no SAP review required; credit $105,000 toward new active ingredient application that follows.	10	10	10	105,000
new	118	Amend or extend Experimental Use Permit; minor changes to experimental design; established temporary tolerance or tolerance exemption is unaffected	3	3	3	10,500
new	119	Amend or extend existing Experimental Use Permit; minor changes to experimental design; extend established temporary tolerance or tolerance exemption	5	5	5	26,250
B86	120	Amend Experimental Use Permit; first food use or major revision of experimental design	6	6	6	10,500
B78	121	New active ingredient; non-food/feed; no SAP review required (4)	12	12	12	131,250
B79	122	New active ingredient; Non-food/feed; SAP review required (4)	18	18	18	183,750
B80	123	New active ingredient; establish permanent tolerance or tolerance exemption based on temporary tolerance or tolerance exemption; no SAP review required (4).	12	12	12	210,000
B81	124	New active ingredient; establish permanent tolerance or tolerance exemption based on temporary tolerance or tolerance exemption; SAP review required (4)	18	18	18	262,500
B82	125	New active ingredient; establish tolerance or tolerance exemption; no SAP review required (4)	15	15	15	262,500
B84	126	New active ingredient; establish tolerance or tolerance exemption; SAP review required (4)	21	21	21	315,000
B83	127	New active ingredient; Experimental Use Permit application submitted simultaneously; establish tolerance or tolerance exemption; no SAP review required (4).	15	15	15	315,000
B85	128	New active ingredient; Experimental Use Permit requested simultaneously; establish tolerance or tolerance exemption; SAP review required (4)	21	21	21	367,500
new	129	New active ingredient; different genetic event of a previously approved active ingredient; same crop; no tolerance action required; no SAP review required	9	9	9	105,000
new	130	New active ingredient; different genetic event of a previously approved active ingredient; same crop; no tolerance action required; SAP review required	9	9	9	157,500
B87	131	New use (3)	9	9	9	31,500
B88	132	New product; no SAP review required (5)	9	9	9	26,250
new	133	New product; SAP review required (5)	15	15	15	278,250
B89	134	Amendment; seed production to commercial registration; no SAP review required	9	9	9	52,500
new	135	Amendment; seed production to commercial registration; SAP review required	15	15	15	105,000
B90	136	Amendment (except #B89); No SAP review required; (e.g., new IRM requirements that are applicant initiated; or amending a conditional registration to extend the registration expiration date with additional data submitted) (2).	6	6	6	10,500
new	137	Amendment (except #B89); SAP review required (2)	12	12	12	63,000
new	138	PIP Protocol review	3	3	3	5,250
new	139	Inert ingredient tolerance exemption; e.g., a marker such as NPT II; reviewed in BPPD	6	6	6	52,500
new	140	Import tolerance or tolerance exemption; processed commodities/food only	9	9	9	105,000

[1] All uses (food and/or non-food) included in any original application or petition for a new active ingredient or a first food use that otherwise satisfy the conditions for the category are covered by the base fee for that application.
[2] EPA-initiated amendments shall not be charged fees. Fast-track amendments handled by the Antimicrobials Division are to be completed within the FIFRA stated timelines listed in Section 3(h) and are not subject to PRIA fees. Label amendments submitted by notification under PR Notices, such as PR Notice 95–2 and PR Notice 98–10, continue under PR Notice timelines and are not subject to PRIA fees.
[3] Example: Transfer existing PIP trait by traditional breeding, such as from field corn to sweet corn.
[4] May be either a registration for seed increase or a full commercial registration. If a seed increase registration is granted first, full commercial registration is obtained using B89 or New 134.
[5] Example: Stacking PIP traits within a crop using traditional breeding techniques.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARIN HUMANE SOCIETY

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring the 100th anniversary of a wonderful organization in my home State of California, the Marin Humane Society.

The Marin County Humane Society was founded on December 14, 1907, by Ethel H. Tompkins and a group of concerned citizens who wanted to find a solution to the plight of lost and abused animals. From its first animal shelter in the San Rafael stables in 1912, the organization has expanded its facilities to a four-building complex on a 7-acre campus. Today, the Marin Humane Society, which shortened its name in 1980, serves the community with 95 staff members and 800 volunteers.