Amendment to H.R. 4 Offered by Ms. Jackson Lee of Texas

At the end of title V, add the following:

1 SEC. 5____. PROHIBITION OF TRANSPORTING BY AIR WITH 2 IN THE NATIONAL AIRSPACE SYSTEM ANY 3 ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES AS 4 A TROPHY.

5 (a) PROHIBITION OF TAKING OR IMPORTING ANY
6 TROPHY.—Section 9 of the Endangered Species Act of
7 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1538) is amended by adding at the end
8 the following:

9 "(h) TROPHIES.—It is unlawful for any person sub10 ject to the jurisdiction of the United States—

"(1) to transport a trophy by air transportation
within the national airspace system any species of
fish or wildlife listed under section 4; or

14 "(2) to import into the United States by air
15 transportation any trophy of any species of fish or
16 wildlife listed under section 4.".

17 (b) PROHIBITION OF PERMITS FOR TROPHIES.—Sec18 tion 10(a) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16
19 U.S.C. 1539(a)) is amended—

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1 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking "The Sec-2 retary may permit" and inserting "Except as other-3 wise provided in this subsection, the Secretary may 4 permit"; and 5 (2) by adding at the end the following: 6 "(3)(A) The Secretary may not permit— 7 "(i) the transport of a trophy by air transpor-8 tation within the national airspace system any spe-9 cies of fish or wildlife listed under section 4; or 10 "(ii) importing into the United States any tro-11 phy by air transportation of any species of fish or 12 wildlife listed under section 4 and taken after the 13 date of the enactment of the Cecil the Lion Endan-14 gered and Threatened Species Act of 2017 of 2015. 15 "(B) Any person seeking to import such a trophy shall submit to the customs officer concerned at the time 16 of entry of the trophy such documentation as the Sec-17 retary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Sec-18 retary of the Interior, shall by regulation require as being 19 20 necessary to establish that the trophy was taken before 21 the date of the enactment of the Cecil the Lion Endan-22 gered and Threatened Species Act of 2015.".

(c) ANTIQUES.—Section 10(h)(1) of the Endangered
Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539(h)(1)) is amended
by striking "Sections 4(d), 9(a), and 9(c) do not apply"

1 and inserting "Sections 4(d), 9(a), 9(c), and 9(h)(2) do2 not apply".

3 (d) DEFINITION.—Section 3 of the Endangered Spe4 cies Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1532) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating paragraph (21) as para6 graph (22); and

7 (2) by inserting after paragraph (20) the fol-8 lowing:

9 "(21) The term 'trophy' means any fish or wild10 life taken for sport or procurement of a souvenir.".

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