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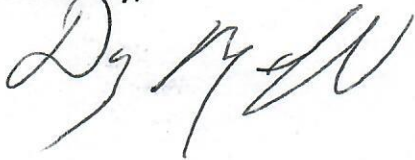
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GFP Staff and Commissioners
523 E. Capitol Ave.
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Dear GFP Staff and Commissioners:

I support the Petition of the 29 – 90 Sportsman’s Club which asks you to reconsider your vote of allowing non – residents to hunt Canada Geese in Southeast South Dakota during the Early Fall Canada Geese Season.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Dy M W".

May 20, 2020

Dear GFP,

I hope you're having a great day today but I'd like to tell you my opinion about the price and difficulty of hunting tags. I'm 14 years old and I've been putting in for a Perkins county rifle buck tag for 2 years. Now I understand that you have to limit the amount of tags that go out each year but here's my opinion.

I believe the price and difficulty of getting hunting tags is ruining the sport of hunting. People don't want to wait 5-8 years just to kill a mule deer or whitetail deer, and then have to wait a few years again. Tags are just getting harder and harder each year for that animal you apply for. Elk tags in South Dakota could take up to 57 years to get, and the price is kind of steep ranging from 275-850 dollars for an animal you're not guaranteed to get. You have roughly a 4-5% chance of getting the tags you apply for.

Now I know tags are in place to keep track of the population of that animal, but mule deer and whitetail deer are at an all time high for their population so I think if it's so high then why not give out a few more tags. I mean even buck tags are extremely high priced for how high the population is. The price for buck tags ranges from 175-600 dollars. So maybe consider this letter and think about my opinion a little bit.

Sincerely,
Mason Hinker

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