WHEREAS, all species of wildlife sustain and provide for our nourishment, clothing, shelter, basis for teachings about adaption in the natural world and spirituality; and,

There are animals that have their own unique features that identify them as different and unique, that include, but not limited to, the White Lions of South Africa’s Timbavati region, the Spirit Bear of British Columbia, the White Buffalo of the Americas, the White Raven of Alaska, the White Caribou of Canada’s Northwest Territories and other such white non-albino animals; and,

White non-albino animals are considered to be sacred by indigenous peoples; and,

White non-albino animals are an important part of biodiversity in the natural world,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 9th World Wilderness Congress supports the recognition of these animals as unique, sacred and spiritual and which should therefore be protected.

And be it further resolved that WILD9 calls upon the Governments and appropriate bodies to take whatever measures necessary to protect these white non-albino animals through appropriate listings under international and national law.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the officials of WILD9 report back on any actions taken to follow up on this resolution at the 10th World Wilderness Congress.

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