B. MSPCA Interorganizational Email

Giacoppo, Scott

From: Adams, Brian

Sent: Monday, February 05, 2007 9:13 AM

To: Giacoppo. Scott

Cc: Holmquist. Kara L.

Subject: Thumbs up for Scott!

Wow - from the Enterprise!

Thumbs up!

To Sen. Robert Creedon, D-Brockton, and Scott Giacoppo of Brockton, deputy director of advocacy at the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for trying to ban the odious practice of "hunting" on the Web. In one of the downsides to advances in technology, this program allows users to kill real animals from their computer screens. Creedon filed a bill to ban the practice in Massachusetts on behalf of Scott Giacoppo and the MSPCA. "I took this initiative to Senator Creedon and without batting an eye he was on board," Giacoppo said. "Internet hunting" originated in 2005 in Texas, where a Web site allowed a person with a computer to pay a fee and via a live camera-feed, survey real animals stocked as game at a Texas ranch, move a set of crosshairs and kill the animals. Twenty-two states have since outlawed this "armchair hunting."

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