SAMPLE SCRIPT FOR ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR RE: SAY NO TO EXOTIC ANIMAL EXHIBITIONS

CALL THE ANTELOPE VALLEHY FAIR AND EVENTS CENTER. ASK FOR DAN JACOBS, GENERAL MANAGER: (661) 948-6060 x 101

Hello, this is **NAME** calling in regards to the Antelope Valley Fair's choice to exhibit a tiger, serval, wallaby and other exotic animals at this year's fair.

- Hauling big cats and exotic animals around the country, placing them in tiny cages, exposing them to ongoing stress and noise, and using them for photo opportunities in the name of entertainment is cruel and irresponsible. These displays should have been outlawed long ago.
- Please enact a policy against exhibiting tigers and other exotic animals.
- It is a matter of animal welfare:
 - Animals spend long periods of time confined in small cages on the road in trucks or trailers as they are transported from venue to venue,
 - Animals are denied all that is natural to them, as they are confined to travel cages barely bigger than they are, they can't exercise, sleep or eat when they choose, and can't escape the overwhelming noise and chaos of the circus, fair or festival where they are exhibited.
- It is a matter of public safety:
 - Since 1990, there have been 377 reported cases of big cat attacks in the U.S.
 - Wild animals are vectors for zoonotic diseases, including parasites, bacterial infections and other chronic illnesses.
- Thank you for your time and I appreciate your sense of urgency to do the right thing to protect both the animals and public safety.