# <sup>118TH CONGRESS</sup> 2D SESSION H.R. 5009

# AN ACT

To reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs, and for other purposes.

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-

2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the "Wildlife Innovation3 and Longevity Driver reauthorization Act" or the "WILD4 Act".

## 5 SEC. 2. PARTNERS FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE ACT.

6 Section 5 of the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Act
7 (16 U.S.C. 3774) is amended by striking "2019 through
8 2023" and inserting "2024 through 2028".

# 9 SEC. 3. AFRICAN ELEPHANT CONSERVATION ACT.

(a) PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE.—Section 2101 of the
African Elephant Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4211) is
amended by adding at the end the following:

13 "(g) Multiyear Grants.—

14 "(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary may
15 award to a person who is otherwise eligible for a
16 grant under this section a multiyear grant of up to
17 5 years to carry out a project that the person dem18 onstrates is an effective, long-term conservation
19 strategy for African elephants and the habitat of Af20 rican elephants.

21 "(2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection pre22 cludes the Secretary from awarding a grant on an
23 annual basis.".

24 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
25 2306(a) of the African Elephant Conservation Act (16)

U.S.C. 4245(a)) is amended by striking "2019 through
 2023" and inserting "2024 through 2028".

#### 3 SEC. 4. ASIAN ELEPHANT CONSERVATION ACT OF 1997.

4 (a) ASIAN ELEPHANT CONSERVATION ASSIST5 ANCE.—Section 5 of the Asian Elephant Conservation Act
6 of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 4264) is amended by adding at the
7 end the following:

8 "(i) Multiyear Grants.—

9 "(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary may 10 award to a person who is otherwise eligible for a 11 grant under this section a multiyear grant of up to 12 5 years to carry out a project that the person dem-13 onstrates is an effective, long-term conservation 14 strategy for Asian elephants and the habitat of 15 Asian elephants.

16 "(2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection pre17 cludes the Secretary from awarding a grant on an
18 annual basis.".

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
8(a) of the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997 (16
U.S.C. 4266(a)) is amended by striking "2019 through
2023" and inserting "2024 through 2028".

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3 (a) RHINOCEROS AND TIGER CONSERVATION ASSIST4 ANCE.—Section 5 of the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conserva5 tion Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 5304) is amended by adding
6 at the end the following:

7 "(g) Multiyear Grants.—

8 "(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary may 9 award to a person who is otherwise eligible for a 10 grant under this section a multiyear grant of up to 11 5 years to carry out a project that the person dem-12 onstrates is an effective, long-term conservation 13 strategy for rhinoceroses or tigers and the habitat of 14 rhinoceroses or tigers.

15 "(2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection pre16 cludes the Secretary from awarding a grant on an
17 annual basis.".

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
19 10(a) of the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of
20 1994 (16 U.S.C. 5306(a)) is amended by striking "2019
21 through 2023" and inserting "2024 through 2028".

# 22 SEC. 6. GREAT APE CONSERVATION ACT OF 2000.

(a) MULTIYEAR GRANTS.—Section 4(j)(1) of the
Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C.
6303(j)(1)) is amended by inserting "of up to 5 years"
after "multivear grant".

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
 6 of the Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C.
 6305) is amended by striking "2019 through 2023" and
 inserting "2024 through 2028".

## 5 SEC. 7. MARINE TURTLE CONSERVATION ACT OF 2004.

6 (a) MULTIYEAR GRANTS.—Section 4 of the Marine
7 Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 (16 U.S.C. 6603) is
8 amended by adding at the end the following:

9 "(h) Multiyear Grants.—

10 "(1) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary may 11 award to a person who is otherwise eligible for a 12 grant under this section a multiyear grant of up to 13 5 years to carry out a project that the person demonstrates is an effective, long-term conservation 14 15 strategy for marine turtles, freshwater turtles, or 16 tortoises and the habitat of marine turtles, fresh-17 water turtles, or tortoises.

18 "(2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection pre19 cludes the Secretary from awarding a grant on an
20 annual basis.".

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
7(a) of the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 (16)

1 U.S.C. 6606(a)) is amended by striking "2019 through

 $2\ \ 2023"$  and inserting "2024 through 2028".

Passed the House of Representatives February 5, 2024.

Attest:

Clerk.

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