



Ivory Trade Ban
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Dear Members of the Legislative Council,

I am writing to voice my support of a ban in the ivory trade in Hong Kong.

I know that ivory has, traditionally, been an important part of Chinese and Hong Kong culture. My grandparents had ivory chopsticks that they treasured, so growing up I knew that it was a valuable commodity. However, that commodity comes at the price of the elephants' lives. With so few left in the world, I would really hate for my children and grandchildren to never know what they were.

We all know that people do not like change. If left to their own devices, people will hunt and trade ivory until the elephants are extinct. As leaders, you are the ones that can make a difference. I implore you to step up and ban this cruel trade in Hong Kong. For the lives of people in Hong Kong will not be affected - they will still treasure the remaining ivory pieces as heirlooms, and the Earth will keep on turning. Poachers will lose business and find something else to do. For those elephants, it is a matter of life and death.

Sincerely,

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