



HONG KONG IVORY BAN

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Please respond to Barry & Carole Evans

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To Whom It My Concern

My name is Carole Evans and many years ago I lived in Zambia, Africa.

At that time, elephants were plentiful, and I enjoyed going into the bush to see them in their natural environment. There were big herds of Matriarchs, Aunties and Babies. The older elephants had beautiful tusks and I was always amazed to see how they would use them, foraging among the trees, digging for water or resting their trunks on their tusks while standing under the shade of a Mopani Tree.

I am very saddened by the horrific onslaught of the poaching of elephants for their tusks - or ivory as you call it. It may look nice after it has been worked and tooled but the sad fact of this is that a majestic animal lost its life for the sake of a trinket. This is a very sad state of affairs and I welcome the day when ivory carving has ceased totally so the elephants can once again live peacefully as they and every animal should be allowed to do. They are herbivores, and if they become extinct, it will change the face of the African plains and forests. The earth needs these animals and we need this earth.

I support the Hong Kong Ivory Ban and urge the Hong Kong Legislative Council to refrain from supporting any action that compensates ivory traders. Humans can find an alternative trade. Once an elephant is dead, and its tusks hacked off, that is it, no more reproduction.

EXTINCTION IS FOREVER....

Yours faithfully
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