



**BEATRICE ARTHUR**

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Dear Kathy,

It is my great pleasure to inform you that the coat you recently donated to People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals was the 10,000th fur received by my friends at the animal rights organization.

On behalf of PETA's more than 700,000 members around the world, I would like to thank you for your generosity and congratulate you for donating this landmark fur. Your coat serves not only as a symbol of PETA's 20-year fight for animal rights, but as a testament to consumers' growing sensitivity to the suffering that the fashion industry inflicts on animals—whether they are caught in barbaric traps in the wild or electrocuted on filthy, inhumane fur farms.

Your contribution represents the change of heart that many people have experienced after learning of the unimaginable cruelty inherent in every fur coat. I am proud to say that PETA will continue to educate the public by putting every fur it receives to good use. Coats are routinely featured in anti-fur fashion shows and protests, included in traveling educational displays, and even distributed among the homeless.

The results are most gratifying: *The Wall Street Journal* reported on August 3, 2000, that 4 percent fewer mink had been killed in the preceding year and that the number of fur farms "is going down quite rapidly." Retailers are giving furs away or selling them below cost to get them out of their glutted warehouses.

Because of kind people like you, the animals' future looks increasingly bright.

Once again, thank you for your compassion and congratulations on your historic contribution.

Very truly yours,

Beatrice Arthur