



# NEWS

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## STATEMENT REGARDING IN DEFENSE OF ANIMALS (IDA)

**FRESNO, CA** — Fresno Chaffee Zoo has been made aware of our presence on a list produced by In Defense of Animals (IDA). This organization's statements about our animal care and facilities are inaccurate, out of context, or entirely false.

Fresno Chaffee Zoo has been an accredited facility by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) since 1979. We participate in Species Survival Plans (SSP) for many of the animals in our care, including African elephants. Furthermore, we believe that claims and decisions regarding an animal's health and well-being should be made by experts who have dedicated their lives to the care of these magnificent creatures. Fresno Chaffee Zoo is proud to focus on our mission to inspire people to care for animals, create connections, build community, and save wildlife.

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