# What Animal Rights Leaders DON'T Want You to Know:

## **PETA**

#### People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals

- Last year PETA killed 90 percent of the cats and dogs it took in, rather than spending some of its \$26 million budget caring for them. Government records show that PETA has put over 14,400 animals to death since 1998. Two PETA employees are facing felony animal-cruelty charges for killing adoptable pets and tossing their bodies into a trash dumpster.
- PETA president Ingrid Newkirk has admitted her group would oppose medical research using animals "even if it resulted in a cure for AIDS."
- PETA's "total animal liberation" philosophy is so extreme that the group is against the use of seeing-eye dogs for the blind.

## **PCRM**

#### Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine

- PCRM has received over \$1.3 million from PETA. The two groups are so closely connected that PCRM's founder is a past president of the PETA Foundation. PETA also owns one of PCRM's websites.
- Despite the deceptive "Physicians Committee" name, less than 4 percent of PCRM's members have gone to medical school.
- PCRM discourages Americans from donating to the March of Dimes, the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, the American Red Cross, the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, and the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation, because they support research that requires the use of animals.

## HSUS

#### Humane Society of the United States

- HSUS raises over \$100 million every year. Although this is enough to run successful pet shelters in every state, HSUS doesn't run a single one anywhere. And it is not affiliated with any local "humane society."
- Louisiana's Attorney General is investigating what HSUS did with most of the \$32 million it collected after Hurricane Katrina from Americans who wanted to help reunite pets with their owners.
- At its annual meeting, HSUS has formally voted to pursue "the rights of all animals"—including rats and fish.



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