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To: CookCounty Board (Secretary to the Board)
Subject: A bigger cage is not the answer — send Rocky the coyote to the sanctuary that will care for him
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Dear Cook County Board Cook County Board,

While I appreciate the attempt to make Rocky the coyote from the River Trail Nature Center happy by enlarging his cage, I ask that you instead send him to The Wild Animal Sanctuary in Colorado.

While Rocky's set-up may meet the guidelines set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), it is well known that the USDA's standards require only the absolute bare minimum of care. And even though the Cook County Forest Preserve's Animal Ambassador Program has been around for decades, this does not mean it is acceptable to confine a wild animal in the name of education.

What Rocky really needs is a companion, but please do not take that as a reason to just capture another coyote to be held captive. It would be far better for Rocky to live out his life at a legitimate sanctuary that already has other coyotes.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
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