



## Don't Let Michael Vick Benefit By Abusing Dogs

Petition Update 4 (June 12, 2009)

In May 2009, ISAR received an e-bulletin from the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) stating that HSUS was going to "provide an opportunity for Michael Vick to get involved in some of their anti-dog fighting outreach programs." To deal with HSUS and their newfound relationship with notorious dog abuser Michael Vick, ISAR had first decided to contact HSUS President Wayne Pacelle with a letter questioning their latest move. That letter can be reviewed on ISAR's website [HERE](#).

ISAR has not yet received a response from Mr. Pacelle, so we have since sent a second letter.

As you will read, the following letter speaks for itself. ISAR will continue our efforts to not let Michael Vick benefit by abusing dogs even if we are ignored by the largest humane organization in the United States. In the meantime, ISAR will continue to circulate our [anti-Vick Petition](#). If you have not already signed ISAR's petition please click the [link](#) to do so. If you have already submitted your signature, please take this opportunity to ask everyone on your email address list to do the same.

You can read ISAR's second letter to Mr. Pacelle below:

Dear Wayne:

Since my recent letter to you concerning HSUS's apparent rapprochement with dog abuser Michael Vick, additional information has surfaced regarding your relationship with that felon and your hopes for that relationship in the future.

Although I noted in my earlier letter that you had made a persuasive case for what someone like Vick could contribute to public awareness of dog fighting's immorality and barbarity, Vick himself is not the appropriate spokesman. As ISAR has considered the matter further, especially after receiving the reactions of our supporters, we have concluded that on HSUS's part the Vick public relations gambit sanctions his prior immoral and criminal conduct, and on Vick's part constitutes nothing more than a cynical attempt to sanitize himself by associating with your organization in an effort to rejoin the NFL.

In short, ISAR continues to condemn Michael Vick, and deplores HSUS's associating with the man whom you rightly condemned previously.

The ends do not justify the means. Think about that when you and Vick meet and shake hands.

Sincerely,  
Susan Dapsis  
President