

William Shatner

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The Honourable Stephen Mandel
Mayor of Edmonton
Edmonton City Council
City Hall, Second Floor
1 Sir Winston Churchill Square
Edmonton, AB T5J 2R7

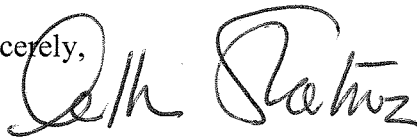
Dear Mayor Mandel,

Let me add my voice to the crescendo of voices asking for some relief in the fate of your beloved elephant, Lucy. In a way, it's none of our business – Edmonton can capably take care of its own. Yet, in a larger sense, these extraordinary animals are everybody's responsibility.

So I humbly ask you to allow Lucy to retire to better circumstances than at the Edmonton Zoo...she's old, feeble, and many of us know how that feels.

I hope you don't mind my intruding but the cause is just.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W Shatner', written in a cursive style.

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