## Press Conference at Woodland Park Zoo on Sept. 19 **Endangered Species Act faces unprecedented attacks** Rep. Pramila Jayapal to speak

WHAT:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service proposed administrative changes to the Endangered Species Act would significantly weaken protections for endangered species. These rule changes are open to public comment until Sept. 24. With only five days remaining for the public comment period, Woodland Park Zoo will hold a press conference to address concerns about changes to the nation's landmark conservation policy, and encourage everyone to sign the zoo's statement asking the Service to rescind these

proposed changes.

WHEN: Wednesday, Sept. 19, 11:00 a.m.

Arrival: 10:45 a.m.

Press conference begins: 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Grizzly bear exhibit at Woodland Park Zoo. Meet PR staff at the West

> Entrance at Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55th & N. 56th Sts. Park in the Penguin Lot at N. 55th St. & Phinney Ave. N. or Otter Lot off N. 59th St. &

Phinney Ave. N.

WHO: U.S. Representative Pramila Jayapal (D-Wash.)

Lisa J. Graumlich, PhD, Dean, College of the Environment, University of

Washington, Woodland Park Zoo Board Member

Alejandro Grajal, PhD, Woodland Park Zoo President and CEO

CONTACT: For planning purposes, media are asked to RSVP if possible

INFO: Visit https://www.zoo.org/esa for information.

> Founded in 1899, Woodland Park Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums and certified by the rigorous American Humane Conservation program. The Humane Certified™ seal of approval is another important validation of the zoo's long-standing tradition of meeting the highest standards in animal welfare. Woodland Park Zoo is helping to save animals and their habitats through more than 30 field projects in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. Each year, the zoo engages more than a million visitors of all ages, backgrounds, abilities, and walks of life in

extraordinary experiences with animals, inspiring them to make conservation a priority in their lives and a difference in our planet's future ecological health and sustainability. Visit www.zoo.org and follow the zoo on Facebook, Twitter

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