



Portia de Rossi, Ellen DeGeneres and Frances Hayward. Photo by: ©Patrick McMullan/PMC

Ellen DeGeneres and Portia de Rossi Lead Celebrity Benefit to Stop Inhumane Treatment of Farm Animals

Celebrities and socials alike turned out in full force for an exclusive fundraiser to support the YES! on Prop 2 campaign, sponsored by The Humane Society of the United States. Ellen DeGeneres and Portia de Rossi hosted the evening at the Bel Air estate of John Winfield on Sunday, September 28th. The on air personality spoke passionately about the importance of the November 4th California initiative, which aims to provide to stop the cruel and inhumane treatment of farm animals kept in tiny cages and crates where the animals can barely move.

“I am just appalled that we are kept ignorant and are not shown how food gets to our table,” said DeGeneres, “If most people were actually aware of the process, they would stand up and do something about it and this is what we are trying to do right now.”

Among the guests who joined Ellen and Portia to help raise over \$1 million for the campaign were animal lovers Frances Hayward, Cornelia Guest, Anne Hearst and husband Jay McInerney, R Couri Hay and Ken Howard, who stars in the upcoming Grey Gardens film with Drew Barrymore. Also showing their support were such bold face names as Tobey Maguire, Jared Leto, Arianna Huffington, James Cromwell, Amber Tamblyn, Amy Smart, Heather Graham, Kelly Lynch, Matt Grant, Catherine Oxenberg and Casper Van Dien. Enjoying the vegan meal and entertainment by Moby and Carol King under the stars were Hal Sparks, Corey Feldman, Carol Leifer, Emily Deschanel, and Jennifer Coolidge.

“This modest measure simply allows farm animals enough room to stand up, turn around and stretch their limbs,” said HSUS President Wayne Pacelli. “The people who came out in support of the measure believe that all animals, including those raised for food, deserve humane treatment.” The more than 400 guests concurred.

Prop 2 is endorsed by more than 100 animal protection charities, including many California humane societies and SPCAs in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento, and beyond; and the State Humane Association of California.