

# LILY TOMLIN

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Dear Ms. Wroten:

Like everyone else who grew up in the Detroit area, I have bone-deep connections with the Ford Motor Company. I attended Wayne University and I began my stand-up career in Detroit. When I heard from PETA that Ford had bankrolled a Wayne State University study using pigs in crash tests, I was deflated. I thought those bleak days were in the rearview mirror, and hearing that they are recurring is like suffering from whiplash.

I've recently learned that in a study titled "Side Impact Assessment and Comparison of Appropriate Size and Age Equivalent Porcine Surrogates to Scaled Human Side Impact Response Biofidelity Corridors," at least 27 pigs were killed. Their bodies were apparently hung in the air by wires threaded through their spines, and then they were slammed with a high-impact pendulum. The study's authors specifically thanked Ford Motor Company for "funding and support."

That's not cool. Ford's apparent return to the dark ages of animal testing reflects poorly on the company, the Motor City, and, frankly, on humanity. We live today in an era of technological advances, in which high-speed computers and crash-test dummies are commonplace. There is just no need for unethically using animals as stand-ins for humans.

I fully support PETA's demand that Ford stop equivocating and adopt a clear public policy not to fund, conduct, commission, or support animal testing unless it is *explicitly* required by law. I am joining the more than 86,000 people who have already called on Ford to shift out of reverse and drive on the right side of history by banning animal testing forever.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I hope to hear soon that Ford Motor Company has publicly adopted a compassionate, animal-free testing policy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lily Tomlin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

Lily Tomlin