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Please end the downed animal trade — not only is it a potential health hazard to humans, it is just a haunting image to me. Mahatma Gandhi once said "The greatness of a nation & its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated." We have a very long way to go, don't we? I am a vegetarian, but realistically I don't expect to be able to sell that idea to many people. But, for humane reasons, can't animals be at least killed humanely & quickly rather than lying around half dead & suffering? It doesn't seem too much to ask in the 21st century. Since downed animals comprise a small percentage of slaughtered animals, it should have no significant economic hardship, so why does it still go on? Please do something about it — The time has come!

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