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Local restaurants join Canadian seafood boycott

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More than 70 restaurants in Oregon and Washington have joined 175 restaurants in California in supporting **The Humane Society of the United States'** boycott of Canadian seafood.

The Humane Society launched the boycott in March 2005 to encourage ending the annual Canadian seal hunt.



Seal hunting is an off-season activity conducted by commercial fishermen from Canada's east coast.

The Humane Society of the United States, which is based in Washington, D.C., said Wednesday Canadian government trade statistics reveal that Canadian exports of snow crabs -- the primary target of the seafood boycott -- to the United States have dropped by \$290 million in the months since the boycott was launched.

To join the boycott, restaurants pledge to boycott Canadian snow crab, all seafood from eastern Canada or all seafood from all of Canada until the hunt ends for good.

Among the 58 restaurants in Oregon joining the boycott are Bluehour, Newport Bay and Papa Haydn East.

For a full list of the restaurants, visit [RestaurantsForSeals.org](#).

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