

## **Idaho Chapter of Safari Club International**

The Idaho Chapter of Safari Club International is first and foremost dedicated to maintaining and protecting our Right to Hunt any and all animals that have Scientifically Determined Populations that will support such hunting. In addition, we support access by <u>ALL</u> hunters to <u>ALL</u> Public Lands including State Lands for the purpose of hunting.

Whereas – The Japanese Yew is not native to Idaho,

Whereas – The only use for the Yew is as an ornamental decoration,

Whereas – The Japanese Yew has been proven to be toxic to wildlife, domestic stock and humans,

Whereas – Suburbs, with decorative shrubs, continue to spread into winter range for wildlife,

Whereas – The Japanese Yew stays green year round, and is therefore attractive to hungry wildlife,

Let it be known that the Board of Directors for the Idaho Chapter of the Safari Club International would support any actions that would decrease or eliminate the use of the Japanese Yew as a decorative shrub in Idaho.