

## **PETA's 2024 F1 Shareholder Meeting Question**

My name is Melanie Johnson, and I have a question on behalf of PETA.

Unlike Formula 1 drivers who choose to race, the Iditarod forces dogs to run about 1,000 miles through some of the most grueling conditions on Earth. More than 150 dogs have died running the Iditarod, including three young ones who collapsed and died on the trail just this year. Even before the race began, five dogs were killed and eight others were injured during training.

Major former sponsors such as ExxonMobil, Alaska Airlines, Coca-Cola, and Wells Fargo have ended their support of this event after learning about the Iditarod's egregious cruelty to dogs. Despite the race's decline in popularity, its ever-growing controversy, and the recent allegations that associated mushers have sexually assaulted and been violent toward women, Formula 1's owner, Liberty Media, continues to prop up the cruel race as one of its last remaining top sponsors.

Formula 1 is all about athletes pushing themselves to the limit, but there's no athleticism in forcing dogs to pull a sled until their bodies break down. My question is this: When will Formula 1 ensure that Liberty Media cuts ties with the Iditarod's hideous cycle of torment and death?