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Her Excellency Paetongtarn Shinawatra Prime Minister of Thailand

Your Excellency:

I have just finished filming season three of *The White Lotus* on Samui. It's a beautiful place, but I was shocked to learn from my friends at People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) that there and elsewhere in Thailand, monkeys are forced to work for the coconut industry. I urge you to end this exploitation of our fellow primates and ensure that Thailand's entire coconut industry transitions to humane harvesting methods that don't rely on forced monkey labor.

PETA's most recent undercover investigation reveals where it all starts, at "training schools" where baby monkeys, who have been torn away from their mothers and are deprived of everything that's natural and important to them, are "broken" and forced to serve as coconutpicking machines for the rest of their lives. Undercover video footage acquired from these "schools" reveals traumatized and terrified infants who have been bred in captivity or abducted from their jungle homes and families.

The world is watching, and if the Thai coconut industry doesn't end its use of monkeys, it will continue to be shunned in favor of cruelty-free coconut milk from countries that don't use monkey labor.

Please stop this suffering: End forced monkey labor, and help Thailand's coconut industry transition to monkey-free methods. Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Yours truly,

Mike White