Proposal to ban fur sales

Lake Forest Park City Council

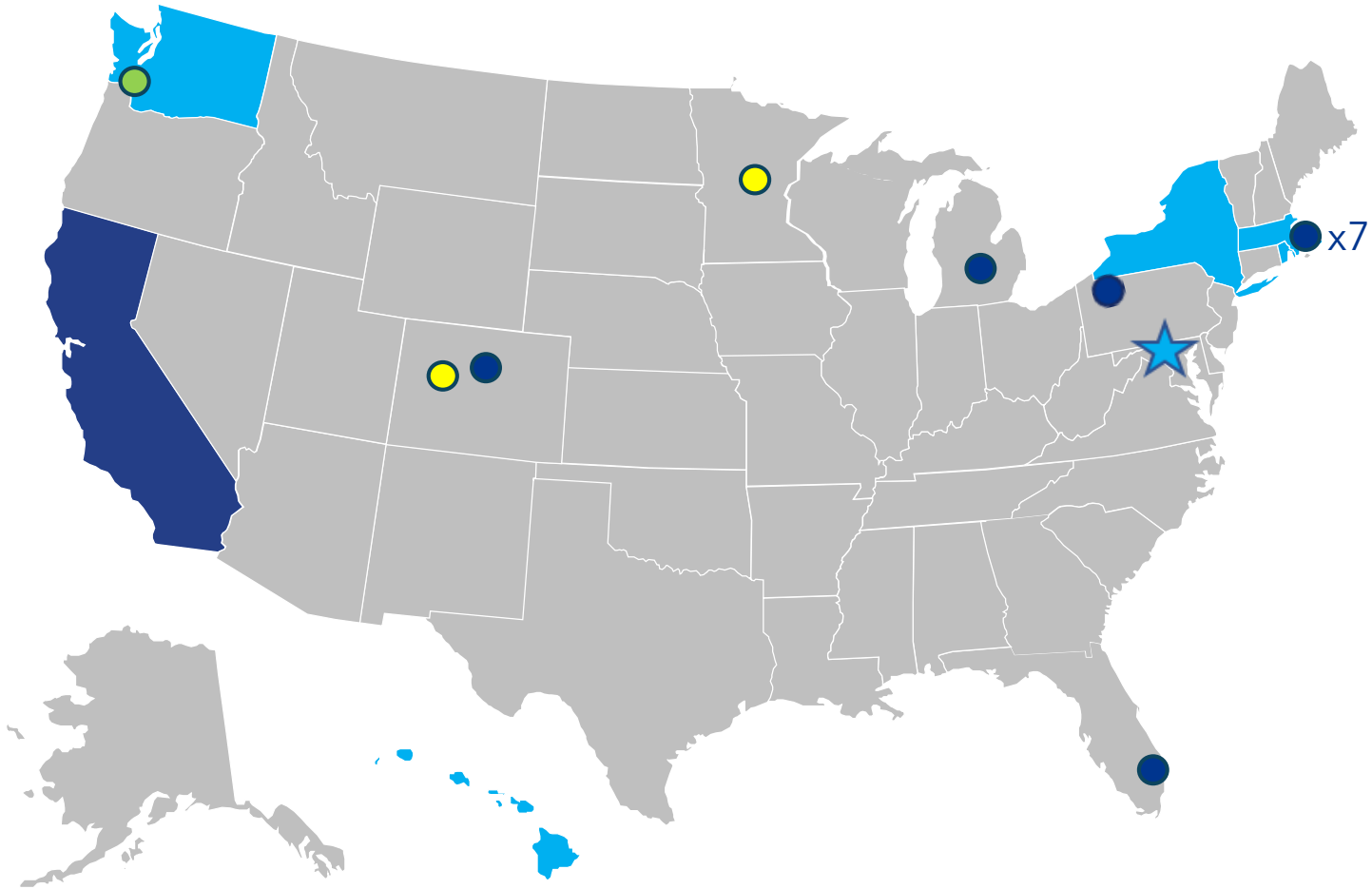
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Why LFP can lead this charge

- Community request, reflects community values
- Fur farming harms environment, trapping harms wildlife
- Public health risks of fur farms
- Narrowly focused on a luxury good, not food, work clothes, etc.
- Important for small cities to demonstrate their voice



U.S. fur sales bans

- Law passed
- Partial Ban
- Resolution
- State bills in progress

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What does a fur sales ban do?

By phasing out the sale of new fur products, we can live out LFP's environmental and animal welfare values, bolster the demand for sustainable and innovative alternatives, and foster a more humane environment.

- Applies only to the sale of **NEW** fur products, not the sale of **USED** or **VINTAGE** fur products
- Does not apply to:
  - Leather, shearling, etc.
  - Detached hair products like mink eyelashes, paint brushes or fishing lures
  - Animal pelts or taxidermy



Impact to Lake Forest Park

- No businesses in Lake Forest Park dedicated to selling fur
- Model ordinance allows exceptions for:
  - Used fur product;
  - Fishing lures and fur pieces or parts intended to make fishing lures;
  - A fur product used for traditional tribal, cultural, or spiritual purposes by a member of a federally recognized Native American tribe; or,
  - A fur product where the activity is expressly authorized by state or federal law.
- Little to no impact on current Lake Forest Park businesses

Next steps

- Council assesses interest and preferred path
- Legal review and community outreach
- Schedule touches 2 & 3, consider passing an ordinance to ban the sale of new fur products in Lake Forest Park

