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Dear Pennsylvania Young Readers,

Wow! Today I learned that you have chosen *Saving Winslow* for a 2019-20 Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Award in the Grade 3-6 Category. I am honored and thrilled that you took Louie, Winslow and Nora into your hearts.

This story was inspired by my grandchildren's rescue of an orphaned lamb. They raised it in their home, bottle-fed it every three hours, gave it shots, and worried over it. Their love for and care of that lamb was beautiful to see.

I chose to write about a donkey instead of a lamb because I thought my grandchildren might like to write their own story one day. Coincidentally, when my granddaughter moved her flock of sheep to a new farm, there was a DONKEY living there. His name was Jonathan and he was hilarious.

I hope you'll noodle around my website sharoncreech.com to see some photos and read a little more about the inspiration for this book.

Thank you again for choosing *Saving Winslow*, and have a great summer with loads of good books available!

Your author,
Sharon Creech