

# RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Otsego County believes it to be in the best interest of its Citizens to enhance the quality of life of dogs, cats, and other companion animals in Otsego County,

AND WHEREAS, Otsego County desires to effectively and humanely solve the homeless and unwanted pet problem and the pet overpopulation problem in Otsego County,

AND WHEREAS, Otsego County also believes that the best way to achieve this goal is to adopt a policy to express its desires,

AND WHEREAS, Otsego County will strive to achieve a "no kill" policy for adoptable companion animals,

AND WHEREAS, Otsego County believes that ONLY those animals which are received in a condition of terminal illness or mortal injury that are beyond clinical redemption for any reasonable quality of life will still continue to be destroyed, as would such animals that are aggressive and/or dangerous and cannot be successfully rehabilitated with available resources,

AND WHEREAS, Otsego County also believes that by aggressively pursuing sterilization of cats and dogs these animals will be more readily adoptable and in addition this effectively will solve the pet overpopulation problem in Otsego County,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Otsego County supports the concept of adoption of all eligible cats and dogs and other companion animals and of a "No Kill For Adoptables" policy with an emphasis on sterilization in order to most effectively and humanely solve the problem of homeless or unwanted pets and pet overpopulation in Otsego County.

Moved by Fred Meissinger

Seconded by Carl Lord

Ayes: Unanimous

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

Attested by

Witnessed by

Date May 11, 1999

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