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PROCLAMATION

"National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week" November 7 - 13, 2010

WHEREAS, there are more than 73 million cats and 68 million dogs living in 63 million households across the United States and many of those in homes in Carson City; and

WHEREAS, the irresponsibility of some pet owners has resulted in animals running loose and unsupervised, causing a threat to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, indiscriminate breeding allowed by irresponsible pet owners who have not had their companion animals spayed or neutered has contributed to overpopulation; and

WHEREAS, animal shelter employees, like police officers and emergency medical personnel, must respond to these community problems and crises; and

WHEREAS, animal shelters act as safe havens for homeless and abused animals, providing them with comfort and care; and

WHEREAS, animal shelters help both animals and people in many ways; by returning lost pets to their owners, enforcing animal control laws, rescuing injured animals, educating the public, and matching up families with new animal companions; and

WHEREAS, the work of animal shelters and the important services they provide often go unnoticed and under appreciated by the citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert L. Crowell, Mayor of Carson City, Nevada, on behalf of the Board of Supervisors do recognize Animal Services for providing lifesaving services to animals for the citizens of Carson City and hereby proclaim the week of November 7 - 13, 2010 as "National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week"



Dated this 4th day of November 2010

Robert L. Crowell, Mayor