The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of: Resolution No. 2009/1

Proclaiming February 24, 2009 as "Spay Day USA 2009"

WHEREAS, dogs and cats give companionship to and share the homes of over 71 million individuals in the United States; and WHEREAS, two unaltered cats and their offspring can produce 420,000 more cats in seven years and two unaltered dogs and their offspring can produce 67,000 more dogs in six years; and

WHEREAS, humane societies and shelters euthanize an estimated four million dogs and cats each year, although many of them are healthy and adoptable, due to a lack of critical resources such as money, space, and good adoptive homes; and WHEREAS, the problem of companion animal overpopulation costs the taxpayers of this county millions of dollars annually through animal

control programs aimed at coping with the millions of unwanted dogs and cats; and

WHEREAS, spaying and neutering cats and dogs has been shown to drastically reduce cat and dog overpopulation; and WHEREAS, veterinarians, humane societies, national and local animal protection organizations, and private citizens have joined together again to advocate the spaying and neutering of companion animals on "Spay Day USA 2009."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Contra Costa PROCLAIM and PRONOUNCE February 24, 2009 to be designated "Spay Day USA 2009.

	SUSAN A. BONILLA	
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		s a true and correct copy of an action taken s of the Board of Supervisors on the date
	ATTESTED: February	24, 2009
	David J. Twa,	
	Ву:	, Deputy