

*The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California*

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2012/73

Proclaiming February 28, 2012 as "World Spay Day"

THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS in its capacity as governing Board of the County of Contra Costa and all districts of which it is ex-officio governing Board RESOLVES THAT: WHEREAS, World Spay Day is an annual campaign that promotes spay/neuter as a proven, effective means of saving animals' lives; and WHEREAS, the overpopulation of cats, dogs and other pets is a global problem and, since its beginnings in 1985, Spay Day USA is now being celebrated in 46 countries around the world as World Spay Day; and 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 six to eight 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 country 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, international, national and local animal protection organizations, and private citizens come together towards a common goal – a global, united solution to end the euthanasia and suffering of homeless companion animals, feral cats and street dogs; and WHEREAS, veterinarians, humane societies, international, national and local animal protection organizations, and private citizens have joined together again to advocate the spaying and neutering of companion animals on "World Spay Day". NOW, THEREFORE: the members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Contra Costa PROCLAIM and PRONOUNCE February 28, 2012, to be designated "World Spay Day". the members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Contra Costa PROCLAIM and PRONOUNCE February 28, 2012, to be designated "World Spay Day".

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I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: February 28, 2012

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy