

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**  
**and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board**

Adopted this Resolution on 10/12/2021 by the following vote:

**AYE:**

**NO:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**RECUSE:**



**Resolution No. 2021/320**

Recognizing October 16, 2021 as "National Feral Cat Day," a day dedicated to educating communities about feral cat (community cat) population control, including trap-neuter-return (TNR), the most humane and effective means of reducing community cat populations; and

WHEREAS, TNR stops the cycle of breeding, eliminates the euthanasia of healthy animals and greatly reduces complaints about costs associated with community cats; and WHEREAS, Scientific evidence and experience in the United States and other countries demonstrates that nonlethal TNR accompanied by ongoing community cat colony management is the only lasting way to reduce feral cat population; and WHEREAS, Caring individuals and groups are effectively applying TNR to community cat colonies in Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County is dedicated to providing resources to educate the community about TNR programs, promoting the importance of low cost spay and neuter options in our County and supporting groups and individuals that will help to manage the free roaming population of cats.

WHEREAS, Contra Costa Animal Services embraces TNR and provides a public Community Cat Program to assist residents and groups in receiving free spay/neuter and vaccination for Community Cats, as well as continuing to explore ways to increase access for our residents to low-cost or free public spay/neuter resources, to help Contra Costa County communities manage community cat colonies. WHEREAS, The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors and Contra Costa Animal Services encourages nonlethal TNR accompanied by ongoing community cat management as the most effective, humane method of reducing community cat populations in this County;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors recognize October 16, 2021, as "Contra Costa County Community Cat Day" and call upon the people and businesses of Contra Costa County to participate in the spaying and neutering of feral and community cats in their neighborhoods.

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: October 12, 2021**

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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By: , Deputy

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