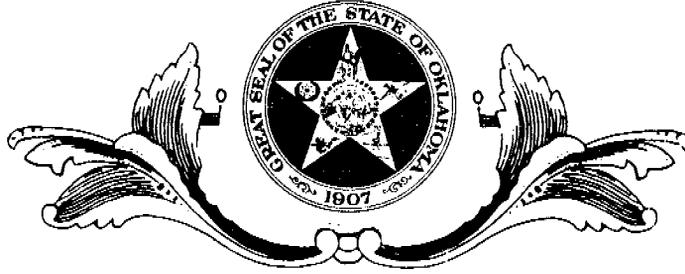


STATE OF OKLAHOMA



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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
OF STATE

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

Whereas, the overpopulation of our nation's most popular companion animals, dogs and cats, results in the death of a great many dogs, cats, kittens and puppies each year in shelters across the United States; and

Whereas, the only reason for the death of these animals is due to the fact that there are more dogs and cats born than there are families willing to adopt them; and

Whereas, the cost of the care of homeless animals, as well as the cost to euthanize them, is a financial burden on the taxpayers of our state; and

Whereas, the dog and cat overpopulation crisis can readily be solved, first by having dogs and cats spayed and neutered before their first litter, and secondly by adopting a dog or cat from your local animal shelter or rescue; and

Whereas, it is the responsibility of all pet owners to provide humane care for their pets throughout their lives and to ensure that the pets they bring into their lives always have a home;

Now, therefore, I, Brad Henry, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby proclaim August 21, 2010, as

"Homeless Animals' Day"

in the State of Oklahoma.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.



ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

GOVERNOR

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this twenty-ninth day of July, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and ten, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one hundred second year.

M. Susan Kwoff

Brad Henry

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