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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Community Health Agency, Department of Animal Services

SUBMITTAL DATE:
5/16/2008

SUBJECT: Adopt -A- Shelter Cat Month June 2008

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Recognize and proclaim the month of June 2008 as Adopt-A-Shelter Cat month; and
- 2) Present the proclamation to Robert Miller, Director of Animal Services, Betsey Webster, Deputy Director and Lori Neddermann, Animal Adoption Chief, at the June 10, 2008 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

BACKGROUND: Adopt -A- Shelter Cat Month was established by the American Humane Association. Through spring and summer, animal shelters throughout Riverside County and the United States are inundated with hundreds upon hundreds of unwanted kittens that only add to the already staggering numbers of cats. June is recognized nationally to promote adoptions of cats into good, safe homes and to educate the public about pet owner responsibility. During 2007, more than 14,000 cats were received by Riverside County Animal shelters. Unfortunately, less than one percent of these cats were claimed by their owners. During Adopt-A-Shelter Cat Month, Riverside County will offer a 2-fur-1 special to adopt a second cat or kitten when a first cat or kitten is adopted from a Riverside County Animal Shelter.

Robert Miller

Robert Miller, Director of Animal Services

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 3000	In Current Year Budget:	YES
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	07/08
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Spay and Neuter sub-fund and local revenue.				Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 <input type="checkbox"/>
				Requires 4/5 Vote <input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: *Debra Cournoyer*
Debra Cournoyer

County Executive Office Signature

Dept Recomm.: Policy
 Per Exec. Ofc.: Policy
 Consent
 Consent

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** All | **Agenda Number:**

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PROCLAMATION

Declaring the month of June 2008 as

“ADOPT-A-SHELTER CAT MONTH”

WHEREAS, there are an estimated 70 million homeless cats in the United States.

WHEREAS, this month is recognized nationally to promote adoption of shelter cats into good, safe homes and to educate the public about pet owner responsibility.

WHEREAS, during 2007, more than 14,000 cats were received by Riverside County Animal shelters. Unfortunately, less than one percent of these cats were claimed by their owners

WHEREAS, during Spring and Summer Riverside County Animal Shelters receive thousands of unwanted kittens that add to the already staggering numbers of cats in our shelters.

WHEREAS, the Riverside County Department of Animal Services has demonstrated its commitment to the elimination of the euthanasia of adoptable animals by promoting adoption, humane education and the reduction of pet over-population.

WHEREAS, during the month of June, to encourage shelter adoption of cats, Riverside County will offer a 2-fur-1 special to adopt a second cat or kitten when a first cat or kitten is adopted from a Riverside County Animal Shelter.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE RESOLVED that, the Board of Supervisors of Riverside County does hereby proclaim the month of **June 2008** as:

“ADOPT-A-SHELTER CAT MONTH”

and reminds its citizens to recognize the need to adopt homeless shelter cats this month and throughout the entire year.

Dated this the 10th of JUNE, 2008