



M E M O R A N D U M
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: January 11, 2022

FROM: Leah Rosasco, Board Outreach Program Manager

SUBJECT: Commendation – Humane Society of the Sierra Foothills

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a Commendation recognizing the Humane Society of the Sierra Foothills for its work to prevent and end cruelty to animals.

BACKGROUND

The Humane Society of the Sierra Foothills (HSSF) was formed as a 501(c)3 nonprofit in 2008 to prevent and stop animal abuse and enhance the quality of life for animals by educating the public; responding to citizen complaints of animal neglect, abuse, or cruelty; taking appropriate legal action if needed; caring for and rehabilitating rescued animals; and finding suitable homes for them. HSSF differs from most animal welfare nonprofits in that it has “Humane Officers” who enforce California laws that focus on animal abuse, cruelty and neglect.

The attached commendation recognizes the Humane Society of the Sierra Foothills for its efforts to protect animals.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

ATTACHMENTS

Commendation

IN THE MATTER OF A COMMENDATION RECOGNIZING THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE SIERRA FOOTHILLS FOR MORE THAN A DECADE OF ANIMAL WELFARE SERVICES TO PLACER COUNTY COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, the mission of the Humane Society of the Sierra Foothills (HSSF) is to prevent and stop cruelty to animals through education, law enforcement, intervention and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, HSSF continues to inform and reach out to the public by tabling at events; being a member of the Placer County Animal Services Advisory Committee; speaking at Municipal Advisory Councils (MAC) and other local government and non-governmental organization meetings; and

WHEREAS, HSSF's Humane Officers complete rigorous, in depth courses, meet Peace Officer Standards of Training (POST) requirements, and are sworn in by the Placer County Superior Court, such officers effectively assist in the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of animal abuse cases; and

WHEREAS, HSSF's Humane Officers have rescued animals ranging from dogs, cats, and horses to cattle, pigs, chickens, goats, sheep, llamas, alpacas, and birds, which is followed by HSSF's providing care and working with veterinarians to bring them back to health; and

WHEREAS, HSSF's dedicated volunteers foster and help rehabilitate hundreds of animals in Placer County that subsequently are adopted into their forever homes; and

WHEREAS, HSSF is funded by donations from the public, grants, and sales from its Placer County used book and thrift stores, with no funding from government or taxpayer dollars as its dedicated volunteers annually perform thousands of hours of service to support operations; and when needed, consultants, veterinarians, attorneys, transporters, farriers, boarding facilities, etc., are engaged and compensated accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN that the above COMMENDATION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the citizens of Placer County, at a regular meeting held January 11, 2022, recognizing the Humane Society of the Sierra Foothills for its critical philanthropic work in protecting animals, responding to animal welfare complaints, and working to resolve issues for the benefit of both humans and non-human animals.

Chair, Board of Supervisors