

City of Philadelphia



Council of the City of Philadelphia
Office of the Chief Clerk
Room 402, City Hall
Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 130257)

RESOLUTION

Honoring, recognizing and commending the Philadelphia Animal Welfare Society for its dedication to saving and protecting homeless animals and its service as an active and effective resource for disadvantaged pet owners.

WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to save homeless, abandoned, and unwanted animals in Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, PAWS is the largest no-kill shelter in Philadelphia, and finds loving homes for thousands of animals each year. Additionally, the organization provides affordable basic veterinary services to pet owners and rescue organizations in an effort to reduce the homeless pet population; and

WHEREAS, More than 30,000 homeless, abandoned, and unwanted dogs and cats enter the City's animal-control shelter every year. Of those, approximately 40% never make it out. To lead Philadelphia toward becoming a no-kill city, PAWS has created comprehensive rescue and preventative measures including finding homes for at-risk animals, and providing low or no-cost veterinary services and spay/neuter surgery to pet owners; and

WHEREAS, PAWS has two centers based in Philadelphia. The PAWS Adoption Center, a boutique-style environment in Old City, showcases adoptable animals in an inviting setting. The PAWS Spay/Neuter and Wellness Clinic, is located in the Grays Ferry section of the City; and

WHEREAS, PAWS is a privately funded organization. Through individual, corporate, media, and foundation support, PAWS effectively continues its mission. With help from a highly qualified staff, a large and active volunteer base, and widespread community support, the organization continues to be a leading animal advocacy resource in Philadelphia; now therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, Hereby honors, recognizes and commends the Philadelphia Animal Welfare Society for its dedication to saving and protecting homeless animals and its service as an active and effective resource for disadvantaged pet owners.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an Engrossed copy of this resolution be presented to the Philadelphia Animal Welfare Society as evidence of the sincere admiration of the Council of Philadelphia.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution, Adopted by the Council of the City of Philadelphia on the fourth of April, 2013.

Darrell L. Clarke
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Michael A. Decker
CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Johnson

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Greenlee, Quiñones Sánchez, Bass, Goode, Kenney, Oh, Reynolds Brown, Blackwell, Jones and Tasco