

City of Philadelphia



Council of the City of Philadelphia
Office of the Chief Clerk
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Philadelphia

(Resolution No. 040954)

RESOLUTION

Authorizing the Committee on Public Health and Human Services to hold public hearings to examine and investigate the practices and operations of the city-funded Philadelphia Animal Care and Control Association and to investigate alleged events wherein family pets have been euthanized despite attempts of said pet-owners to reclaim their lost pets.

WHEREAS, The Philadelphia Animal Care and Control Association (PACCA) is responsible for animal control, animal surrenders and adoptions in the City of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, In Fiscal Year '05, PACCA will receive over 2.2 million dollars to provide these services to the City of Philadelphia; and

WHEREAS, Alleged incidents have been reported involving the mismanagement of animals under the care and supervision of PACCA, including one incident where a lost pet was euthanized while his owner was on PACCA premises attempting to retrieve the pet; and

WHEREAS, Philadelphia is a city that values the life of its residents both human and animal; now therefore

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, That the Committee on Public Health and Human Services is hereby authorized to hold public hearings to examine and investigate the practices and operations of the city-funded Philadelphia Animal Care and Control Association and to investigate alleged events wherein family pets have been euthanized despite attempts of said pet-owners to reclaim their lost pets; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in connection with such hearings the Committee is authorized to issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents to the full extent authorized under Section 2-401 of the Home Rule Charter.

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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 twenty-eighth of October, 2004.

Anna C. Verna
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

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CHIEF CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

Introduced by: Councilmember Kelly

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Kelly, Mariano, DiCicco, Rizzo, Goode, Council President Verna, Councilmembers Reynolds Brown, Ramos, Krajewski, Nutter, Tasco, Clarke, Miller, Cohen, Kenney and O'Neill