

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COUNTY OF DEL NORTE**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-090**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING CALIFORNIA PENAL CODE SECTION 599d AND CALIFORNIA FOOD AND AGRICULTURE CODE SECTION 17005, THE STATE POLICY ON EUTHANASIA, BY REFERENCE, MAKING IT THE POLICY OF DEL NORTE COUNTY AND DIRECTING DEL NORTE COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL TO PRESERVE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY AND ENSURE FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY WHEN SEEKING CONSULTATION AND MAKING FINAL DECISIONS REGARDING THE ADOPTABILITY AND TREATABILITY OF ANY ANIMAL CONSIDERED FOR EUTHANASIA .**

**WHEREAS**, the policy of the State of California is that no adoptable or treatable animal should be euthanized, and

**WHEREAS**, this State Policy is stated in California Penal Code Section 599d and California Food and Agriculture Code Section 17005, and

**WHEREAS**, Del Norte County Animal Control has been voluntarily and unofficially adhering to this policy since 2008, and

**WHEREAS**, by adhering to this policy, Del Norte County Animal Control has reduced the number of dogs being euthanized from 43% to less than 1% , and

**WHEREAS**, the Humane Society of Del Norte has adopted a resolution in support of adoption of the State Policy on Euthanasia making it also Del Norte County policy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Animal Welfare Coalition of Del Norte has adopted a resolution in support of adoption of the State Policy on Euthanasia making it also Del Norte County policy; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2008 / 2009 Del Norte County Grand Jury Report recommends that Del Norte County Animal Control not euthanize any adoptable dog;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of Del Norte County hereby adopts Penal Code Section 599d and Food and Agriculture Code Section 17005, the State Euthanasia policy, by reference, making it the policy of Del Norte County, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of Del Norte County directs Del Norte County Animal Control to preserve public health and safety and to

ensure fiscal responsibility when seeking consultation with the Humane Society of Del Norte and other knowledgeable sources and making final decisions regarding the adoptability and treatability of any animal considered for euthanasia.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 25<sup>TH</sup> day of August, 2009 by the following vote:**

**SUPERVISORS**

**AYES:** Supervisors Sullivan, McClure, Finigan, McNamer, Hemmingsen

**NOES:** None

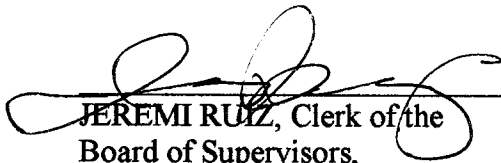
**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None



GERRY HEMMINGSEN, CHAIRMAN  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**ATTEST:**



JEREMI RUIZ, Clerk of the  
Board of Supervisors,  
County of Del Norte,  
State of California

Date: 8-25-09

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

Clerk of the Board

By: 