Resolution 2010-0205

Pet Population Program Restrictions

WHEREAS, there exists within Ogle County a fund called the Pet Population Fund; and

WHEREAS, Pet Population Funds are to be used to (i) spay, neuter, or sterilize adopted dogs or cats or (ii) spay or neuter dogs or cats owned by low income county residents who are eligible for the Food Stamp Program; and

WHEREAS, the Ogle County Animal Control Department supervises and administers the Pet Population program; and

WHEREAS, the Ogle County Animal Control Department has observed abuses of the program by people that may not actually be qualified for the program; and

WHEREAS, the Ogle County Animal Control Department wishes to take reasonable measures to ensure funds remain available to those who qualify;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County hereby places the following limitations and restrictions upon the Pet Population program:

a. Low income pet owners who qualify for the program shall be allowed to have no more than 3 pets spayed or neutered over the course of any 8 year period.

b. Only those pet owners who provide proof to the County of having received aid from the Food Stamp Program or from Social Security in the 30 days prior to the date on which services are sought shall qualify for services from the Pet Population program.

c. No dog over the age of 9 months shall be spayed or neutered under the Pet Population program unless the owner provides proof that the dog is current on its rabies vaccination. The owner shall be responsible for the costs of such vaccination.

Presented and Adopted at the February 16, 2010 County Board Meeting.

Attest:

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Rebecca Huntley, County Clerk

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W. Ed Rice, Chairman