

RESOLUTION 2002- 03

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 26, 2002, AS SPAY DAY USA

WHEREAS, cats and dogs provide companionship to and share the homes of over 57,000,000 individuals in the United States; and

WHEREAS, two unaltered cats and their offspring can produce 420,000 more cats in seven years and two unaltered dogs and their offspring can produce 67,000 more dogs in six years; and

WHEREAS, animal shelters and humane societies have to kill five million cats and dogs each year, although many of them are healthy and adoptable, simply because there are not enough good homes; and

WHEREAS, the problem of companion animal overpopulation costs the taxpayers of this country billions of dollars annually through animal control programs aimed at coping with the millions of unwanted cats and dogs; and

WHEREAS, spaying and neutering cats and dogs has been shown to drastically reduce cat and dog overpopulation; and

WHEREAS, veterinarians, animal shelters, humane societies, national and local animal protection organizations, and private citizens worked together to ensure the spaying and neutering of an estimated 150,000 companion animals through "Spay Day USA" in 2001; and

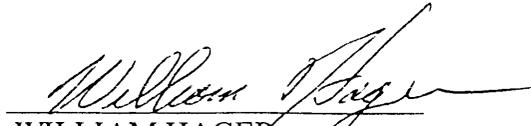
WHEREAS, veterinarians, animal shelters, humane societies, national and local animal protection organizations, and private citizens have joined together again to advocate the spaying and neutering of companion animals on "Spay Day USA 2002":

Now therefore, be it RESOLVED by the La Porte County Board of Commissioners, that February 26, 2002 is designated "SPAY DAY USA." The La Porte County Board of Commissioners is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the

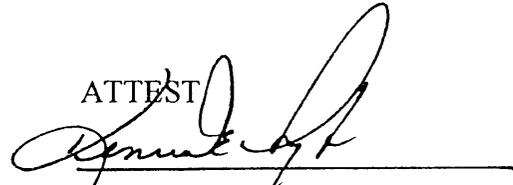
citizens of La Porte County to observe today by having their own cat or dog spayed or neutered or by sponsoring the spaying or neutering of another person's cat or dog.

DATED this 26th day of February 2002.


MARLOW HARMON,
President


WILLIAM HAGER,
Vice President

CLAY TURNER,
Member

ATTEST

KENNETH E. LAYTON,
Auditor