

House Resolution 1781

By: Representatives Mayo of the 84th, Stephens of the 165th, Drenner of the 85th, and Kaiser of the 59th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Encouraging cat and dog owners to spay or neuter their pets; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the problem of pet overpopulation costs the taxpayers of this state significant
3 amounts of money through animal control and sheltering programs aimed at coping with
4 unwanted and homeless cats and dogs; and
- 5 WHEREAS, humane societies and animal shelters throughout the country are forced to
6 euthanize approximately four million cats and dogs each year due to the lack of resources
7 such as money, space, and adoptive homes; and
- 8 WHEREAS, spaying and neutering cats and dogs has been shown to drastically reduce
9 overpopulation, saving animal lives and reducing taxpayer expenditures; and
- 10 WHEREAS, spaying and neutering cats and dogs is a cost-effective measure of providing
11 for the general welfare of pet animals.
- 12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
13 the members of this body join together to encourage cat and dog owners to spay or neuter
14 their pets.
- 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
16 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
17 Department of Public Health and the Department of Agriculture.