



SPONSOR: Rep. K. Williams on behalf of all Representatives &  
Sen. Walsh on behalf of all Senators

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 81

RECOGNIZING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OFFICE OF ANIMAL WELFARE.

1 WHEREAS, the State of Delaware, in its commitment to the well-being of companion animals, established the  
2 Office of Animal Welfare in 2013, recognizing the profound importance of animal welfare; and

3 WHEREAS, the Office of Animal Welfare, an agency of the Division of Public Health, coordinates programs and  
4 policies that protect animals from abuse and neglect, reduces pet homelessness, and improves the quality of life for pets and  
5 people across Delaware; and

6 WHEREAS, Delaware Animal Services, operating under the auspices of the Office of Animal Welfare, has been a  
7 cornerstone of these efforts, through crucial enforcement of Delaware laws, and by providing resources, support and  
8 services to the people of Delaware; and

9 WHEREAS, Delaware Animal Services plays a vital role in reuniting lost pets with their families, promoting  
10 responsible pet ownership, and tirelessly working to create safer, more compassionate communities for all residents; and

11 WHEREAS, the Office of Animal Welfare's Spay Neuter Program has neutered over 35,000 pets, and vaccinated  
12 over 27,000 pets against rabies since 2013, making significant efforts to reduce pet overpopulation and enhance public  
13 health, in collaboration with local animal shelters, rescues and the veterinary community; and

14 WHEREAS, the Office of Animal Welfare advocates for strong animal protection laws and fosters community  
15 engagement to promote humane care for Delaware's pets.

16 NOW, THEREFORE:

17 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the  
18 Senate concurring therein, that the members of the Delaware General Assembly hereby recognize the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
19 the Office of Animal Welfare and its commitment to fostering a culture of responsible pet ownership and ensuring the  
20 welfare of our beloved animal companions.

SYNOPSIS

This Concurrent Resolution recognizes the 10th Anniversary of the Office of Animal Welfare and its commitment to fostering a culture of responsible pet ownership and ensuring the welfare of our beloved animal companions.