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Ed Muzika <edwardmuzika@sbcglobal.net> Reply-To: edwardmuzika@sbcglobal.net To: john.white@lacity.org Mon, Aug 23, 2010 at 6:12 PM

For inclusion in Council File 10-892 Increasing number of animals owned.

The email below is from Kevin McKeown, Santa Monica Councilmember. It was sent in response to my email to him and Santa Monica's City Attorney asking whether the misinformation contained in Phyllis Daugherty's 2nd Protest letter against the Pet Limit increase was true or not. Ms. Daughtery claimed S.M. required kennel permits for residents with above average numbers of animals and that S.M. could "automatically" impose County limits. This is McKeown's "official" response after consultation with the Santa Monica City Attorney. I would note that the misinformation about Santa Monica reflects badly on the credibility of all the other alleged pet limits she cites in her protest.

Edward Muzika, Ph.D.

--- On Mon, 8/23/10, Kevin McKeown <<u>kevin@mckeown.net</u>> wrote:

From: Kevin McKeown <<u>kevin@mckeown.net</u>> Subject: For the record, please forward To: "Ed Musika" <<u>edwardmuzika@sbcglobal.net</u>> Date: Monday, August 23, 2010, 4:31 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

In my capacity as a Santa Monica City Councilmember, I was shown a document from the "Animal Issues Movement" claiming that the City of Santa Monica limits possession of domestic animals. The document said, specifically,

"SANTA MONICA - Although they have no limit in their MC, their City Attorney advises them they can implement the LA County limits automatically: Three (3) dogs/three (3) cats. (Santa Monica requires a kennel permit and city business license for anyone having above the 'average' number of pets.)"

I wish to correct the record, as I believe this "Animal Issues Movement" document may have been submitted pursuant to an issue before your Council, purporting to represent facts in the matter. Insofar as the document describes Santa Monica law and/or policy, it certainly does not appear to be

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factual.

Our City Attorney's office is unaware of any limitation on the number of dogs and cats allowed for a household in Santa Monica. There has been no discussion of this issue at the City Council level. While we do have business licenses for kennels, of course, there is no stipulation that requires such a license for "anyone having above the 'average' number of pets," nor do we or would we ever write laws or make policies based on such language.

Thank you for allowing this clarification.

Kevin McKeown Santa Monica City Councilmember

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Please support of the increase in BOTH cat and dog limits from three to five File #10-0982

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marysia wojcik <marysiawojcik@hotmail.com> To: john.white@lacity.org Mon, Aug 23, 2010 at 4:12 AM

Dear Mr. White,

Many people in our communities strongly support the increase on BOTH cat and dog limits from three to five. The original proposal file number 10-0982 should be passed as is.

This will stop the needless persecution of folks who are fostering animals for rescue groups or who are helping found animals to survive.

When they are in compliance with the licensing laws this should also bring in extra revenue for the city.

Thank you for your support of this issue.

Sincerely,

Marysia Wojcik Animal Trainer South Pasadena, CA