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the increase of animals (dogs & cats) as pets

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I too would like to go on record as agreeing to having a 5 dog or 5 cat limit to responsible pet owners to help save lives and enjoy at their choice what to do with choices file# 10-0982 thanks Ken Loakes

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Please INCREASE pet limit!

1 message

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I really think it would be a good move to increase the pet limit for those living in LA. Not only does it make financial sense, but it would save so many animals lives as well. A pet limit increase wouldn't protect individuals who mistreat their animals or clearly cannot care for them, but it would protect individuals who have the resources and expertise to handle multiple animals in their home. Please include my approval and enthusiasm for increasing the pet limit in LA in Council File #10-0982.

Thank you,

Katherine Pakradouni 4416 Gainsborough Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90027 September 8, 2010

Dear City Councilmembers,

I would like to express my support of increasing the number of animals that Los Angeles residents may take care of. The simple act of amending this municipal code will bring many positive results by saving and making the city money, and most importantly, by saving countless precious lives.

Communities that have no limit or have a more generous limit than Los Angeles, do NOT have higher incidences involving the animals of their residents. Places like San Diego, where there is no limit for cats and a 6 dog limit, boast a much lower kill rate than here in Los Angeles.

Low pet limits can bring consequences to animals and people because of the fear of being caught "breaking the law". Guardians with more than the limit may avoid visiting the vet, getting vaccinations, microchipping, or licensing their animals. People may not even take some dogs for a walk if they are over the legal limit, which obviously has unfavorable effects on the dogs deprived of this basic need.

I hope you all realize that pet limit laws do NOT hinder hoarders, dog fighters, and breeders and others that have no concern for the law. Low pet limit laws can encourage neighbors with disputes to use innocent animals as ammunition or pawns in their war with each other, when usually the animal is not at the core of the problem.

It is discouraging when one individual has made it her life's purpose to fight against animals getting any sort of break in Los Angeles by trying to create unrealistic and unfounded fear. I hope City Council and the Commission recognize that there is only this one voice of opposition, and she certainly does not represent the residents of our city very well. We are a compassionate city full of animal and people lovers who are trying to lead the way in progressive methods to stop needlessly and callously taking the lives of healthy animals who would love nothing more than to live out their natural life with the love and comfort that all creatures deserve. It will take creative, new ideas such as increasing limits to achieve our goal. We have responsible guardians with the means to provide and with room in their hearts and homes for these homeless animals that are costing the city a fortune to house and feed. Thousands of foster homes could open up with raising the limit, saving thousands of lives and freeing up resources for the city. I don't believe raising the limit would cause people to take on more animals than they are capable of providing care for.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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