

**ANIMAL ISSUES MOVEMENT**

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June 2, 2014

Council File No. 11-1345 &  
Council File No. 11-0600-S135

Mayor Eric Garcetti  
City of Los Angeles  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles CA 90012

Dear Mayor Garcetti:

**BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SOCIETY – CORPORATE STATUS – “NOT IN GOOD STANDING”**

In August 2011, the City Council approved a three-year contract with Utah-based Best Friends Animal Sanctuary to operate the Northeast Animal Shelter in Mission Hills, with options for two additional years to operate the \$19.5 million shelter at 15321 S. Brand Blvd.

Since the verbal report (no written statistics/costs/accounting report submitted) by Best Friends at the May 20 PAW meeting (approved by Council on May 30) was undoubtedly a precursor to renewing its contract, and there is no indication that an audit is being required/performed by the City, it is important that the City is aware of the attached document, which currently appears on the website of the State of Louisiana Secretary of State. It indicates that Best Friends has not filed an Annual Report since 6/16/2011 and is “Not in Good Standing for failure to file Annual Report” since that time.

The current “BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY” first registered as a corporation (03806430N) on 6/21/1968, as “THE PROCESS, CHURCH OF THE FINAL JUDGEMENT,” according to the Commercial Division record. Following are the list of changes of name from 1968 to 1993:

- BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY
- THR FOUNDATION FAITH OF GOD (Changed 8/12/1993)
- THE FOUNDATION – CHURCH OF THE MILLENNIUM (Changed 3/1/1976)
- THE PROCESS, CHURCH OF THE FINAL JUDGEMENT (Changed 5/21/1974)
- LAST ANNUAL REPORT FILED: 6/16/2011

It seems unusual that after all these years and name changes, Best Friends has failed to file Annual Reports to maintain its corporate standing since acquiring this very generous contract with the City of Los Angeles—which has required no formal reporting, according to the Council file. Before the City of Los Angeles considers renewing the Best Friends contract, it is important that this matter be addressed. The file may be checked today at <http://www.sos.la.gov/BusinessServices/SearchForLouisianaBusinessFilings/Pages/default.aspx>

Sincerely,

*Phyllis Daugherty*  
Phyllis Daugherty, Director

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Name	Type	City	Status
BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY	Non-Profit Corporation	BATON ROUGE	Active

#### Previous Names

THE FOUNDATION FAITH OF GOD (Changed: 8/12/1993)  
THE FOUNDATION FAITH OF THE MILLENNIUM (Changed: 2/27/1978)  
THE FOUNDATION - CHURCH OF THE MILLENNIUM (Changed: 3/1/1976)  
THE PROCESS, CHURCH OF THE FINAL JUDGEMENT (Changed: 5/21/1974)

**Business:** BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY

**Charter Number:** 03804630N

**Registration Date:** 6/21/1968

**State Of Origin:**

#### Domicile Address

8550 UNITED PLAZA BLVD.  
BATON ROUGE, LA 70809

#### Mailing Address

C/O LAW OFFICE OF MAUREEN E. OTIS, P.C.  
4850 WRIGHT RD., STE. 168  
STAFFORD, TX 77477

#### Status

**Status:** Active

**Annual Report Status:** Not In Good Standing for failure to file Annual Report

**File Date:** 6/21/1968

**Last Report Filed:** 6/16/2011

**Type:** Non-Profit Corporation

#### Registered Agent(s)

**Agent:** INCORP SERVICES, INC.  
**Address 1:** 3867 PLAZA TOWER DR., 1ST FLOOR  
**City, State, Zip:** BATON ROUGE, LA 70816



**Appointment Date:** 6/16/2008

**Officer(s)****Additional Officers: No**

**Officer:** JAMES RODGERS  
**Title:** Director, Treasurer  
**Address 1:** 5001 ANGEL CANYON RD.  
**City, State, Zip:** KANAB, UT 84741

**Officer:** CELESTE FRIPP  
**Title:** Director, Secretary  
**Address 1:** 5001 ANGEL CANYON RD.  
**City, State, Zip:** KANAB, UT 84741

**Officer:** S. LOUISE PHANSTIEL  
**Title:** Director, Officer  
**Address 1:** 5001 ANGEL CANYON ROAD  
**City, State, Zip:** KANAB, UT 84741

**Officer:** JOHN FRIPP  
**Title:** Officer, Director  
**Address 1:** 5001 ANGEL CANYON ROAD  
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**Officer:** GREGORY CASTLE  
**Title:** Director, Officer  
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**Officer:** FRANCIS BATTISTA  
**Title:** Director  
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**Officer:** BRIAN WOLF  
**Title:** Director  
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**Officer:** MOLLY JORDAN KOCH  
**Title:** Director  
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**Officer:** PETER WARSHAW  
**Title:** Director  
**Address 1:** 5001 ANGEL CANYON ROAD  
**City, State, Zip:** KANAB, UT 84741

**Officer:** KRAIG BUTRUM  
**Title:** Director  
**Address 1:** 1672 BEEKMAN PL NW # B  
**City, State, Zip:** WASHINGTON, DC 20009

**Officer:** DEBORAH MORRISON  
**Title:** Officer  
**Address 1:** 5001 ANGEL CANYON ROAD  
**City, State, Zip:** KANAB, UT 84741

### Amendments on File (13)

Description	Date
Restated Articles	3/31/1971
Name Change	5/21/1974
Amendment	5/1/1975
Restated Articles	5/19/1975
Name Change	3/1/1976
Name Change	2/27/1978
Restated Articles	5/7/1980
Appointing, Change, or Resign of Officer	7/28/1980
Domicile, Agent Change or Resign of Agent	6/23/1986
Domicile, Agent Change or Resign of Agent	2/1/1993
Name Change	8/12/1993
Restated Articles	8/12/1993
Domicile, Agent Change or Resign of Agent	1/29/2008

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