

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 62

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 2

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 62—Relative to Spay/Neuter Awareness Month.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 62, Steinberg. Spay/Neuter Awareness Month.

This measure would declare the month of February 2012, to be Spay/Neuter Awareness Month, request that Californians observe that month by having their dogs or cats spayed or neutered and by contributing to organizations that provide spay and neuter services, and request veterinarians to work with animal shelters and rescue groups that provide spay and neuter services.

WHEREAS, At least 250,000 cats and 175,000 dogs are euthanized in California each year; and

WHEREAS, In most instances, these dogs and cats are young, healthy, and friendly animals that are euthanized simply because there are not enough good homes for them; and

WHEREAS, An additional unknown number of animals die each year due to abandonment, neglect, abuse, starvation, or cruelty because they are unwanted; and

WHEREAS, The spaying and neutering of dogs and cats helps solve this tragic problem by reducing the number of unwanted animals; and

WHEREAS, Californians can contribute to this effort by having their own companion animals spayed or neutered and by supporting programs in their communities that offer spay and neuter services; and

WHEREAS, Veterinarians, humane societies, animal control agencies, and national and local animal welfare organizations will join together on February 28, 2012, to advocate the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats on "Spay Day USA 2012"; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature declares the month of February 2012, to be Spay/Neuter Awareness Month, that Californians are requested to observe the month by having their dogs or cats spayed or neutered and by contributing to those organizations that provide spay and neuter services, and that California veterinarians are requested to work with animal shelters and rescue groups that provide spay and neuter services; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.

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