## RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE RATE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO STRAY ANIMALS BY NORTHSTAR VETS LOCATED AT 2834 NJ 73, MAPLE SHADE, NJ 08052

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Pennsauken ("Township") awarded New Jersey Animal Control ("NJAC") the contract for the provision of the Township's animal control services ("the Contract"); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Contract, NJAC must transport injured domestic animals to the Northstar Vets ("the Animal Hospital") for care; and

**WHEREAS**, in situations where the animal is determined to be a stray because the animal's owner cannot be identified after a reasonable effort, or a Good Samaritan brings an injured stray animal found in the Township to the Animal Hospitals in need of emergency medical care, the Township shall be responsible for veterinary bills from the Animal Hospitals not exceeding \$250.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Animal Hospitals shall provide veterinarian services, including care necessary for the animal's comfort, up to this approved amount without further authorization from the Animal Control Officer, NJAC; and

**WHEREAS**, should necessary services exceed this approved amount, the provision of services must be qualified and authorized by the Animal Control Officer, NJAC, prior to the Animal Hospitals providing said services; and

**WHEREAS**, should the Animal Hospitals independently determine services exceeding the approved amount are necessary, and the Animal Control Officer refuses to authorize the provision of services, the Animal Hospitals may assume the responsibility and care of the animal.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the Township hereby authorizes the provision of veterinarian services not exceeding \$250.000, without prior authorization from the Animal Control Officer, for each stray domestic animal brought to Northstar Vets for care, retroactive to January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.

TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN
Pamela Scott-Forman
Township Clerk

ADOPTED: