RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE RESIDENTIAL CAT TRAP RENTAL PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Pennsauken Township established a community cat / TNR management program to assist with the increasing population of feral / stray cats in the community; and

WHEREAS the Township made changes to its ordinance to create a partnership with private individuals and organizations for its community cat management program; and

WHEREAS these volunteers have been approved by Pennsauken Township to trap, neuter and return community cats to their colonies; and

WHEREAS The Pennsauken Community Cat volunteer group has acted as the Township's Community Cat Managers and as such is responsible for trapping, sterilizing, vaccinating, ear-tipping, and returning the cats to the area where they were first trapped. As a result of being overwhelmed with requests, they requested that the Township help provide equipment for residents to be able to trap independently. As such the Township has received a proposal from New Jersey Animal Control to oversee a trap lending program to help support TNR by allowing residents the use of Township traps in order to get cats/kittens spayed/neutered; and

WHEREAS New Jersey Animal Control, the Township's current animal control officer, will provide staff resources to manage the scheduling, distribution and tracking of traps for use by Pennsauken residents; and

WHEREAS residents that opt to use the Township trap rental program are solely responsible for securing spay/neuter appointments and before and after care of the animal as well as any related fees.

NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED, the Municipality of Pennsauken hereby authorizes the Administrator and Municipal Clerk to execute any necessary agreements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to and New Jersey Animal Control.

TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN

Pamela Scott-Forman, RMC, CMR Township Clerk

Adopted: