

RESOLUTION NO. R00-130

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING AUTHORIZED SHELTERS TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE REGISTRATION AND TAG REQUIREMENTS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY'S ANIMAL ORDINANCE 2000-00-26 AND ESTABLISHING A LIMITED EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION AND TAG REQUIREMENTS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY ANIMAL ORDINANCE 200000-26 FOR PERMITTED ANIMAL RESCUE ADOPTION ORGANIZATIONS.

Upon motion by Commissioner Hart,
seconded by Commissioner Wacksman, the
following Resolution was adopted by a vote of 7 to 0; Commissioner(s) _____
voting "No".

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Florida has, in Chapter 125, Florida Statutes, authorized local governments to adopt ordinances and regulations to promote the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Section 828.27, Florida Statutes, provides no county ordinance relating to animal control or cruelty shall conflict with the provisions of Chapter 828, Florida Statutes, or any other State law; and

WHEREAS, Section 828.27, Florida Statutes, does not prohibit any County from enacting an ordinance relating to animal control or cruelty which is identical to the provision of Chapter 828, Florida Statutes, or any other State law, except as to penalties; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has adopted Hillsborough County Ordinance 2000-00-26, which regulates services provided by the Department of Animal Services, including registration and tag requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners recognizes that the authorized animal shelters and Animal Rescue Adoption Organizations provide a public and humane service by providing temporary shelter and in placing dogs and cats into permanent homes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners recognizes the effort and positive effects produced by humane non-profit organizations in providing for sheltered animals within Hillsborough County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners recognizes that a limited exemption from registration and tag requirements is appropriate in light of such organizations contributions to Hillsborough County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AT A REGULAR MEETING ASSEMBLED THIS 28TH DAY OF JUNE, 2000:

- (1) An Authorized Shelter, meeting the definitions found in Section 2 of Hillsborough County's Animal Ordinance 200000-26 shall not be required to register or provide tags for the sheltered animals under their care, custody or control.
- (2) Permitted Animal Rescue Adoption Organizations operating within Hillsborough County, shall be required to register and provide tags (tags not required for ferrets) for animals they own, harbor, possess, or otherwise keep, or exercise control, or custody of, four (4) months after the date that each dog, cat, or ferret came into their possession. Animal Rescue Adoption Organizations shall notify the Department of Animal Services of the new owner's name, address, and telephone number when the animal is placed into its permanent adoption home. All dogs, cats, and ferrets leaving the control or custody of a Animal Rescue Adoption Organization must be properly registered and provided with a rabies registration tag appropriate for the county where the animal will reside upon the transfer or adoption of the animal to any other owner.
- (3) The provisions of this resolution shall become effective on January 1, 2001.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of June, 2000.

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

I, Richard Ake, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board at its regular meeting of June 28, 2000 as the same appears of record in Minute Book 289 of the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida.

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WITNESS my hand and official seal this 5th day of July, 2000.

RICHARD AKE

By: Mildred K. Dufon
Deputy Clerk

Approved as to form
and legal sufficiency:

BY: Genie Granahan Terr
County Attorney

