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Oregon and the Pacific Northwest have long been recognized for the population's love of animals and especially domestic pets. Many other states look to us as a safe haven for dogs and cats in high kill shelters, notably California and Texas. Shelters there transport hundreds of animals to Oregon to find their forever homes. Oregon Friends of Shelter Animals alone has taken in thousands of these animals in the last 20 years and provided medical care, spay and neuter services and homes for them. Rescue animals make GREAT pets! We think it would be amazing to honor these pets as well as the organizations that rescue them and the State of Oregon by passing HCR 8 designating rescued shelter dogs and cats as our official state pets. Thank you for your attention.