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Oregon State Legislature
900 Court St NE
Salem, OR 97301

Re: HCR 8 - Designating rescued shelter dogs and cats as official state pet.

Dear Honorable State Representatives and Senators,

Animal Aid Inc. is writing in full support of HCR 8. Animal Aid, a 501c3 nonprofit, was founded in 1969 and enhances the welfare of companion animals through individualized care and lifelong commitment, rescue and adoption, resources and education, and community partnerships.

Over the past 10 years, Animal Aid has adopted out over 800 dogs and cats to Oregonians, showing that pet adoption is important to community members across our great state. Animal Aid has the honor to rehabilitate and nurture hundreds of dogs and cats each year and help find them their forever homes. We believe that HCR 8 would raise much needed awareness surrounding the homeless pet population and the importance of giving dogs and cats a second chance by choosing to adopt from a shelter or rescue.

We thank you for advocating for pet adoption and are thrilled to express our support for this progressive resolution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ashly Dale". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ashly Dale
Executive Director