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STEVEN R. SCHUH County Executive

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 15

TO CREATE THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY ANIMAL WELFARE COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the County Executive is committed to the goal of promoting the humane treatment of domestic animals and wildlife in Anne Arundel County; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has determined that it is appropriate to perform a review of all county laws and regulations pertaining to the care and treatment of animals in Anne Arundel County; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive desires to make available all possible educational tools in support of the humane treatment of animals in Anne Arundel County; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive believes that these goals may be better achieved by the establishment of a council of citizens of Anne Arundel County charged with giving advice to the County Executive on all matters regarding the humane treatment of animals in Anne Arundel County, including, but not limited to, proposed legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steven R. Schuh, County Executive, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Charter and laws of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, hereby order and direct on this <u>19</u> day of April, 2016, as follows:

- 1. The Anne Arundel County Animal Welfare Council is created.
- 2. The Council shall meet with the frequency it determines necessary to perform its functions under this Executive Order. There shall be at least one meeting per quarter.
- 3. The Council shall consist of up to sixteen (16) members appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the County Executive.

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- 4. Each member shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years and shall not serve more than four (4) consecutive terms.
- 5. The County Executive shall appoint one of the members as Chair.
- 6. The mission of the Council is to consider matters for the promotion of the humane treatment of animals in Anne Arundel County and to provide advice to the County Executive and County Departments on such matters.
- 7. The Council shall submit an annual report to the County Executive that sets forth the status of plans and progress of the responsibilities set forth herein, as well as goals and priorities for the next year.
- 8. The Council shall meet annually with the County Executive or the designee of the County Executive.

This Executive Order shall be archived at the Office of Law and remain in existence until altered or terminated by a subsequent Executive Order.

STEVEN R. SCHUH County Executive

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Nancy McCutchan Duden County Attorney