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2/26/2018	1	Committee on Finance	Recommended to Pass	
2/26/2018	1	Committee on Finance	Substituted in Committee	
1/17/2018	1	City Council	Referred	

SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago Animal Care & Control Commission (CACC) last year operated as the City's only open admission shelter, receiving 14,901 animals in 2017; and

WHEREAS, 7,224 dogs were received by CACC: 3,134 dogs were received as strays, 2,235 dogs were given up to their owners, 642 were confiscated, 484 were requested for disposal, 669 were requests for euthanasia, and sixty were dogs returned to CACC; and

WHEREAS, 5,898 cats were received by CACC: 3,557 were received as strays, 1,815 cats were given up by their owners, 118 were confiscated, 241 were requested for disposal, 147 were euthanized, 195 died while in care, 1,131 were dead on arrival; and

WHEREAS, participating Homeward Bound Program organizations have successfully transferred out of CACC 3,250 dogs, 3,951 cats, and 829 "other" animals; and

WHEREAS, CACC has on several occasions reached maximum capacity in the shelter throughout the 2017 year and continued the trend at the beginning of 2018, proposing to euthanize animals indiscriminately in order to create space within the facilities; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, do hereby declare 2018 to be "The Year of the Shelter Animal;" and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we recognize Homeward Bound Program participants, including Chicago Wolves Charities, 4 Paw Luv Rescue, A Caring Place Humane Society, A Little R & R Animal Sanctuary, A & S Rescue, ABRA Inc., Adopt-A-Pet, Alive Rescue, All Herding Breed Dog Rescue, Animal Rescue Foundation of Illinois, Anti-Cruelty Society, Barrington Area Animal Rescue & Kennels, Be Fido's Friend, Bombshell Bullies Pit Bull Rescue, Bow Wow Revolution Animal Rescue, Chicago Animal Advocates, Chicago Canine Rescue Foundation, Chicago Herpetological Society, Chicago Pet Rescue, Chicagoland Bully Breed Rescue, Chicagoland Dog Rescue, Community Animal Rescue Effort, CPR Fund, Critter Corral Guinea Pig Rescue, Cry For Help Rescue, Don't Bully My Breed Inc., Famous Fido Rescue and Adoption Alliance, Felines and Canines Inc., Fetching Tails Foundation, Flintcreek Wildlife, Fortunate Pooches and Lab Rescue, Foster-Pet Outreach, Four Paws Animal Foundation, Free Spirit Siberian Rescue, Friends of Chicago Animal Care & Control, Fur Angels Animal Sanctuary, German Shepherd Rescue Inc., Greater Chicago Ferret Association, Guardians of the Green Mile Inc., Heartland Animal Shelter, Heathers Foster Dogs, HOPE Ltd. Hope Pet Rescue, IL Doberman Rescue Plus, IAWNA, Internet Miniature Pinscher Service, It's a Pittie Rescue, K9 4 Keeps, Linda's Magnificent Mutts, Lulu's Locker Rescue, Making a Difference Rescue, Mending Hearts Rescue, Midwest Boston Terrier Rescue, New Leash on Life, Northstar WI dog Rescue and Advocacy, One More Dog Rescue Inc., One Tail at a Time, PAWS Chicago, PAWS of Tinley Park, Peace for Pits Inc., Perfect Pooches Adoption Agency, Players for Pits, Reach Rescue, Recycled Rots Rescue, Recycled Ruff Rescue, Red Door Animal Shelter, Rettungs-Haus Shepherds, Roll Over Animal Rescue, Save A Pet, Second City Canine Rescue, Serendipittie Rescue Inc., Small Paws Rescue, Specialty Purebred Cat Rescue, St. Sophia's Forgotten Felines, The Critical Animal Relief Foundation, TRAIN, Treehouse Humane Society, Underdog Pet Rescue of Wisconsin Inc., Villa Bark, Wags 2 Wishes Animal Rescue Inc., West Suburban Humane Society, Woof Gang Rescue Inc., and others; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we commit our efforts to fostering substantive changes to policy and law in order to reduce the number of animals in our shelters, keep pets in their homes, and increase awareness for humane treatment and accountability; and,

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we shall encourage our fellow government units and sister cies to join the City of Chicago's efforts, working with .people and.organizations to end the steady,
ir collective^bilities.

Edward M. Burke Alderman, 14th Ward

CHICAGO February 28, 2018

To the President and Members of the City Council:

Your Committee on Finance having had under consideration a substitute resolution calling for substantive changes to policy and law in animal shelters and a declaration that 2018 shall be 'The Year of the Shelter Animal.'

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Having had the same under advisement, begs leave to report and recommend that your Honorable Body pass the proposed Substitute Resolution Transmitted Herewith.

This recommendation was concurred in by (a (viva voce vote
of members of the committee with dissenting vote(s)

Respectfully submitted

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