

City of El Paso de Robles

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, cats and dogs provide companionship to and share the homes of over 71 million individuals in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the problem of companion animal overpopulation costs the taxpayers of this country over a billion dollars annually through animal control programs aimed at coping with the millions of homeless cats and dogs; and

WHEREAS, spaying and neutering cats and dogs has been shown to drastically reduce cat and dog overpopulation; and veterinarians, humane societies, national and local animal protection organizations and private citizens worked together to ensure the spaying or neutering of more than 125,000 companion animals

WHEREAS, veterinarians, humane societies, national and local animal protection organizations, and private citizens have joined together again to advocate the spaying and neutering of companion animals on "Spay Day USA 2009."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Duane Picanco by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, and speaking on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby designate

February 24, 2009, as Spay Day USA

urging all companion animal owners to observe this day by having their cats or dogs spayed or neutered, or by sponsoring the spaying or neutering of another person's cat or dog.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on this 17th day of February 2009, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Paso Robles to be affixed.

Duane Picanco, Mayor