

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF \$1 MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE COUNTY'S CAPITAL RESERVES TO THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF HURON VALLEY'S CONSTRUCTION FUND, CONTINGENT UPON THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL OF A \$6.5 MILLION DOLLAR BOND ISSUE

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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WHEREAS, under Michigan law, Washtenaw County has the duty to oversee the licensing of dogs and to provide a facility to hold stray dogs until such time as they are reunited with their family, adopted or euthanized; and

WHEREAS, for many years the County has contracted with the Humane Society of Huron Valley ("HSHV") to provide these services at its facility on Cherry Hill Road in Superior Township; and;

WHEREAS, the currently HSHV facility does not have the space or equipment necessary to fulfill its mission and is in dire need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, the HSHV is currently in the process of purchasing acreage from the University of Michigan adjacent to its current site which will be used to construct a new \$7.5 million dollar HSHV facility; and

WHEREAS, the County will assist the HSHV to fund the new facility by taking the following actions: (1) authorize, by separate Resolution, \$6.5 million dollars of bond money which will be repaid by HSHV over a seven-year repayment period beginning in 2008; and (2) approving a one-time transfer of \$1 million dollars from the County's capital reserves to the HSHV's construction fund, contingent on Board of Commissioner approval of the \$6.5 million dollar bond issue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioner authorizes a one-time transfer of \$1 million dollars from the County's Capital Reserve Fund to the Humane Society of Huron Valley's Construction Fund to assist in paying for a new animal sheltering facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the transfer of the \$1 million dollars to the Humane Society of Huron Valley is conditioned on the Board of Commissioners approval of a \$6.5 million dollar bond issue for the new facility and the sale of such bonds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the contingencies are not met, the Humane Society of Huron Valley must return the \$1 million dollars to Washtenaw County.