

## Republic of the Philippines CITY COUNCIL City of Manila

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REGULAR SESSION NO. 124

12<sup>TH</sup> CITY COUNCIL

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## RESOLUTION NO. 228 Series of 2024

**RESOLUTION** EXPRESSING SUPPORT ON THE CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL PETS DAY, WITH THE THEME DUBBED AS: "DON'T SHOP, ADOPT", ON THE  $11^{\text{TH}}$  OF APRIL 2024

## **PRINCIPAL AUTHORS:**

HON. SALVADOR PHILIP H. LACUNA Minority Floor Leader

and

HON. ERNESTO C. ISIP, JR. Majority Floor Leader



WHEREAS, National Pets Day is a day of celebration and appreciation to the special bond between humans and their pets. Observed annually on April 11th, this day serves as an opportunity for pet owners and animal lovers to recognize the joy, companionship and unconditional love that pets bring into their lives;

WHEREAS, National Pets Day was adopted in 2006 by animal welfare activist and pet and family lifestyle expert Ms. Colleen Paige to honor the happiness that pets can bring into our lives. She also wish to draw attention to the continued needs of the numerous animals in shelters awaiting adoption. She advised against going to breeders if someone wanted purebred cats and dogs and to instead get in touch with rescue groups. "Don't shop! Adopt!" has become the holiday slogan;

WHEREAS, over the past 10 years, the National Institute of Health (NIH) has been a partner in research to determine the physical and mental benefits of having a pet. It turns out that not only can pets steal our hearts, but they also contribute to overall cardiovascular health by lowering cortisol, cholesterol, and blood pressure levels;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Manila manifests support to National Pets Day as it serves as a reminder of the invaluable companionship and positive impact that pets have on our lives: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to express, as it hereby expresses support on the celebration of the National Pets Day, with the theme dubbed as: "Don't Shop, Adopt", on the 11<sup>th</sup> of April 2024; and be it FINALLY

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Manila City Pound and the Manila Public Information Office (MPIO) for posting in their social media pages.

PRESIDED BY:

Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer

City Council. Manila

This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on April 11, 2024.

ATTESTED:

City Government Department Head

(Secretary to the City Council

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