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Board of Supervisors Meeting

Date October 16, 2012

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[Appointments, Commission of Animal Control and Welfare - Annemarie Fortier, Susanna Russo, and Shari B. O'Neill]

**Motion appointing Annemarie Fortier, Susanna Russo, and Shari B. O'Neill, terms ending April 30, 2014, to the Commission of Animal Control and Welfare.**

MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does hereby appoint the hereinafter designated persons to serve as members of the Commission of Animal Control and Welfare, pursuant to the provisions of San Francisco Health Code Section 41.1, for the terms specified:

Annemarie Fortier, succeeding Geneva Page, seat 1, term expired, must be a member representing the general public having interest and experience in animal matters, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending April 30, 2014.

Susanna Russo, succeeding herself, seat 2, term expired, must be a member representing the general public having interest and experience in animal matters, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending April 30, 2014.

Shari B. O'Neill, succeeding John Aldridge, seat 7, term expired, must be a licensed veterinarian, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending April 30, 2014.



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**Application for Boards, Commissions and Committees**

Application for Appointment to: Commission of Animal Control and Welfare  
Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 1, 2

District:

Name: Julia A. Frink

Home Address — 7th Avenue, San Francisco, CA - CONFIDENTIAL

Zip: 94118

Home Phone:

Occupation: Dog Business Owner

Work Phone: 415-387-3647

Employer: Self

Business Address: 2443 Fillmore Street #537, San Francisco, CA

Zip: 94118

Business E-Mail: julia@dogwalks.com

Home E-Mail:

Check All That Apply:

A citizen of the United States.

At least 18 years old on or before Election Day.

Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction

A resident of San Francisco  Yes:  No: (Place of Residence):

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)

Professional dog business professional concerned about composition of current commissioners.

Education:

BS in Economics from Cal Poly State University, SLO  
Certification from DogTec, PetTech, Universitat de Barcelona

Business and/or professional experience:

Local business owner, professional dog walker, former teacher/nstructor

Civic Activities:

Ethnicity: (optional)

Sex: (optional)  M  F

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment?  Yes  No

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(Applications must be received 10 days before the scheduled hearing.)

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Date: 1/3/2012 Applicant's Signature: (required) *Julia A. Frink*

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year.

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Appointed to Seat #: \_\_\_\_\_ Term Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Seat was Vacated: \_\_\_\_\_



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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

Seat # or Category (if applicable): Seat 1 or Seat 2 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Amanda Newkirk

Home Address: Perkin St. —, Oakland, CA Zip: 94610

Home Phone: 415- ——— Occupation: Volunteer Coordinator, SFSPCA

Work Phone: 415-522-3521 Employer: San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals: SFSPCA

Business Address: 250 Florida St, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: anewkirk@sfsPCA.org Home E-Mail: mandy marie 12@ ———

Check All That Apply:

- A citizen of the United States.  At least 18 years old on or before Election Day.   
 Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction   
 A resident of San Francisco  Yes:  No: (Place of Residence): Live: Oakland Work: San Francisco

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)

Please see resume attached.

Education:

B.S. Managerial Economics, UC Davis.

Business and/or professional experience:

Animal Welfare Management.

Civic Activities:

Animal welfare volunteer for multiple organizations.

Ethnicity: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: (optional)  M  F

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Date: 6-20-12 Applicant's Signature: (required) A. Newkirk  
Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year.

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Application  
Amanda Newkirk to: linda.wong@sfgov.org

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Hi Linda,

Resume and letters of recommendation to follow. I just wanted to get this in so that I am in the running for the meeting next month.

Have a great weekend!

Mandy

Amanda Newkirk  
Cat Volunteer Coordinator  
The San Francisco SPCA  
250 Florida Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103-4213  
Phone 415-522-3521

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Application for Appointment to: COMMISSION OF ANIMAL CONTROL AND WELFARE  
 Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 1 OF 2 District: N/A

Name: ZACHARY MARKS

Home Address: GREENWICH ST SF, CA Zip: 94123

Home Phone: (925) Occupation: NONPROFIT DIRECTOR

Work Phone: N/A Employer: THE CALIFORNIA BRAIN TUMOR ASSOC.

Business Address: 3662 WEST RD. LAFAYETTE, CA Zip: 94549

Business E-Mail: zachary.marks@sfgov.org Home E-Mail: CABTA@

Check All That Apply:

A citizen of the United States.  At least 18 years old on or before Election Day.

Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction

A resident of San Francisco  Yes:  No: (Place of Residence):

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)

PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED DOCUMENTS

Education:

Business and/or professional experience:

Civic Activities:

Ethnicity: (optional) WHITE Sex: (optional)  M  F

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Date: Applicant's Signature: (required)

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## ZACHARY MARKS

zachary.marks@sfgov.org

www.zackmarks.com

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### CAREER PROFILE

*Proven self-starter with a Master of Public Affairs and Practical Politics degree. My strong track record of academic excellence combined with natural leadership skills have allowed me to achieve career growth and a special talent for transitioning visionary strategy into action and achievement. Experienced in public, nonprofit, and corporate environments.*

### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Public Speaking / Debate
- Community Engagement
- Planning / Organization
- Research / Sustainability
- Strategic Communication
- Analytical Writing
- Effective Negotiation
- Project Management
- Conflict Resolution
- Website Design
- Social Advocacy
- Entrepreneurship
- Coalition Building
- Event Planning
- Ethical Leadership

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### EDUCATION

**Master of Public Affairs and Practical Politics**, University of San Francisco 2011  
Leo T. McCarthy Center for Public Service and the Common Good  
San Francisco, CA - 3.8 GPA  
Study Abroad - Beyond Bridges: Israel/Palestine - The West Bank

**Bachelor of Arts in Political Science**, University of Colorado at Boulder 2005  
Minor in Philosophical Foundations of Law  
Boulder, CO - Honors  
Study Abroad - University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS**, City Hall, San Francisco, CA 2012 - Present  
Trainer, Teacher, and Presenter

- Presenting and delivering training curriculum to several thousand Election Officials
- Teaching Inspector training courses and giving expert advice at the Election Center
- Representing the Department in a professional manner to a variety of stakeholders

**MAYOR EDWIN M. "ED" LEE**, City Hall, San Francisco, CA 2011  
Legislative and Fiscal Policy Intern

- Performed complex public policy analysis devising comprehensive recommendations
- Generated internal legislative briefing memos and identified implementation strategies
- Navigated City Hall agencies coordinating with the SFMTA, SFPD, GAO, and DPH

**THE CALIFORNIA BRAIN TUMOR ASSOCIATION**, Lafayette, CA 2008 - Present  
Executive Director and Board Member - www.cabta.org

- Championing cell phone safety legislation before local, state, and federal agencies
- Persuading San Francisco to pass landmark public health disclosure ordinance
- Receiving honorable commendation from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors
- Analyzing professional-level complex public policies and determining benchmarks
- Implementing and managing program planning, research, analysis, and writing
- Designing, assessing, building, managing, and monitoring strategic relationships
- Developing and evaluating complex management, administrative and fiscal policies
- Increasing awareness by publishing highly effective marketing materials / websites
- Hosting a didactic symposium with 100+ attendees featuring two State Senators
- Leading advocacy efforts to halt the construction of cell towers on University buildings
- Appearing on national television programs advocating for precautionary action
- Testifying before the United States Senate and House of Representatives

**MARKS BROTHERS MOTORS, LLC**, Lafayette, CA 2005 - 2008  
Founder and Small Business Owner

- Managed a fully-licensed, bonded, and insured luxury automobile dealership
- Supervised personnel, operations, marketing, customer service, accounting, sales, purchasing, budgeting, and web design

**INTERATIONAL TEFL ACADEMY**, Florence, Italy 2005  
Teacher and Academic Tutor

- Taught English and provided tutoring services to diverse groups of adult students
- Drafted lesson plans, edited assignments, and mentored students on writing skills

**SENATOR EDWARD M. "TED" KENNEDY**, Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C. 2004  
Staff Assistant

- Worked in the personal office and briefed Senator Kennedy on his daily schedule
- Participated in Senate committee hearings on prisoner abuse and same-sex marriage

**GOVERNOR WILLIAM F. "BILL" OWENS**, Denver, CO 2003  
Communications Intern

- Researched and wrote speeches for the Office of Innovation and Technology

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### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- San Francisco Young Democrats, San Francisco Tomorrow and Walk San Francisco
- San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals - Animal Therapy
- San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association - Young Urbanist
- The Environmental Health Trust and the Environmental Working Group
- Sigma Pi Fraternity - Zeta Delta Chapter - Special Events Director
- National Forensics League - Competitive Public Speaking and Debate

### COMPUTER SKILLS

Microsoft Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint, Apple Keynote, iWeb, iMovie, PC & MAC



## REFERENCES

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[carpent@uamail.albany.edu](mailto:carpent@uamail.albany.edu)  
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## ENDORSEMENTS

Abraham's Vision  
[www.abrahamsvision.org](http://www.abrahamsvision.org)

Angels Camp  
[www.angelscamponline.com](http://www.angelscamponline.com)

Environmental Health Trust  
[www.environmentalhealthtrust.org](http://www.environmentalhealthtrust.org)

McCarthy Center for Public Service and the Common Good  
[www.usfca.edu/osl/](http://www.usfca.edu/osl/)

Mepeace - The Facebook of Peace  
[www.mepeace.org](http://www.mepeace.org)

Vortis Technologies  
[www.jamesrjohnson.net/vortis](http://www.jamesrjohnson.net/vortis)

### Recommendations

+ Ask for a recommendation

#### **Nonprofit Director** **The California Brain Tumor Association**

3 visible recommendations for this position: [Edit](#)

"Zack is an extraordinarily capable young man who I have seen carry out several complex programs to completion without a hitch and each had a stellar result." February 3, 2012

(1st) Lloyd Morgan, Senior Research Fellow, Environmental Health Trust managed Zack indirectly at The California Brain Tumor Association

"In a nutshell: Zack is truly amazing.... He is brilliant, articulate, and kind. Any involvement you can have with Zack will enhance your life: I can assure anyone of that! If you need a reference on Zack, you may call me on my mobile at 650.387.1903.

Bret Bocook, Esq.  
CEO/Founder, [Worldslaw.com](http://Worldslaw.com)" January 26, 2012

(1st) Bret K. Bocook, Esq., CEO, Founder, [Worldslaw.com](http://Worldslaw.com) was with another company when working with Zack at The California Brain Tumor Association

"Zack has demonstrated real ability to communicate with a wide assortment of people in an effective fashion and has shown industry, responsibility and innovation in his work. He is an energetic and bright person who will be productive and effective in any position in which he is given responsibility." January 26, 2012

(1st) David Carpenter, Professor, University at Albany was with another company when working with Zack at The California Brain Tumor Association

#### **Student** **University of Colorado at Boulder**

1 visible recommendation for this position: [Edit](#)

"I definitely recommend Zack having known him since our freshman year at the University of Colorado at Boulder. We were roommates for four years and became close friends. Zack was in a fraternity, studied abroad in Australia, and has gone on to do great things; such as becoming a influential leader in the California Brain Tumor Association." January 30, 2012

(1st) Sean Skuro, Student, University of Colorado at Boulder - Leeds School of Business, studied with Zack at University of Colorado at Boulder

"Stay strong and courageous. Your work is of great importance."

- California State Senator Mark Leno -

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For the past two years, I've been working with Zack Marks on a variety of projects. He is exceptionally bright, diligent, creative, and innovative.

He knows the rapidly evolving world of social media and knows how to present complicated ideas in ways people can comprehend them.

He single handedly (and against great odds) organized and conducted an important public symposium at his university on the issue of the right to know about cell phones. He's testified before public hearings and founded the California Brain Tumor Association. I've written about Zack in my new book. His family is an inspiration. Zack knows how to work within system constraints and how to change them. He is also a mensch. Please know that I recommend him most highly.

- Dr. Devra Davis, Ph.D. and Nobel Laureate -

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I am in awe of you, Zack. You are going to do great things.

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Zachary, your ability to turn such a tragedy into selfless advocacy speaks volumes.

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My young daughter of 20 months will not be getting a cell phone because of the knowledge I have because of people like you. Thank you, thank you. Let me assure you, that your willingness to not be silent is an inspiration.

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Zachary - I appreciate your efforts and commend your strength. May you be blessed with strength and inscribed in the book of life.

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What a bold act of love, and of regaining power for the family. You will make the difference you seek.

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Keep on speaking, keep on fighting.

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Your testimony was powerful and a definite memorable moment in the hearing.

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Your website is amazing! I sent it to everyone on my email list. It's easy to navigate and so well written and informative.

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You have my admiration for educating the public about the dangers of cell phones.

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Thank you Zachary for what you're doing. Great website.

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Your nonprofit is phenomenal and a tribute to your father, Zack.

You are surviving and thriving through your determination to make a real difference.

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The contents of your letter and website are so well written, powerful and tragic.

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I am so proud that you went to DC. God bless you for your activism and courage.

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I'm proud of your efforts! Keep up the good fight.  
I will have a heart to heart with my children.

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Zack...the ripple effect of your positive and bold action  
will be felt around the world.

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Zack is a deep and thoughtful man.  
He is taking his pain and using it for good, and that guarantees his eventual healing.

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Your website blew me away and I cried as read each section.  
It is powerful -- especially knowing this comes from the victim's son.

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What a terrifying ordeal to be forced to experience.  
Your nonprofit is really amazing. What a great job - again.

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I was touched by the fact that you have created this nonprofit, which is great!!!!

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I am filled with pride over your testimony yet saddened for what you have been  
and will be going through. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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I am a firm believer that God has placed this burden on you for a reason and I think  
that reason is because you have the guts to do the battle that needs to be done.

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I know for myself, you have enlightened me on a mission to protect myself  
and most of all my kids from over-use of a cell phone.

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Thank you very much for taking the time to inform me.  
I will help you with your path to educate as many people that I know.

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Thanks so much. I will be forwarding your website to all my family and friends.

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Incredible, your poise, openness and compassion in telling your story  
and the risks associated with cell phone use was amazing.

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Thanks so much for being such a wonderful example.  
I doubt many folks I know would have the courage to do what you are doing.



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Application for Appointment to: Animal Control & Welfare Commission  
Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 1, 2 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: JAMES YORCK

Home Address: 2300 STE. Zip: 94107

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: BIRDS

Work Phone: 516-0798 Employer: SELF

Business Address: SAME Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: jyorck@

Check All That Apply:

- A citizen of the United States.  At least 18 years old on or before Election Day.
- Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction
- A resident of San Francisco  Yes:  No: (Place of Residence): \_\_\_\_\_

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)

35 YRS. OF EXPERIENCE OF REHOMING UNWANTED PET BIRDS

Education:

BA UPSALA COLLEGE 1975

Business and/or professional experience:

SPECTRUM EXOTIC BIRDS 1977 TO 2000  
2001 TO PRESENT; MAINTAIN ADVANCES FOR MANAGED CARE HOMES

Civic Activities:

NFSS, PDPA, DCCC

Ethnicity: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: (optional)  M  F

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Date: 5/28/12 Applicant's Signature: (required) James Yorck

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year.

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5/28/12 Statement of Intent/ James Yorck

Priorities: During last year's Rules Committee Commissioner nominations, the Animal Welfare Commission had took up nearly 1 1/2 hrs. of the City's time while the Children and Families First Commission had only 1/2 hr... priorities?

In these dismal financial times I am bearing good news. 40 years ago 20,000,000 dogs and cats in shelters were euthanized every year in the United States. That worked out to 1 dog or cat that was put down yearly for every 10 humans. Our forefathers; the so called "greatest generation", were not so great when it came to Fluffy and Rover.

Nowadays, we should all take pride in the fact that nationally the annual shelter euthanasia rate has dropped to nearly 1 dog or cat per 100 humans and furthermore within the City of San Francisco we should celebrate the fact that there are only 1.2 deaths per 1,000 San Franciscans.

In 2009, New York's Mayor Bloomberg declared a victory over the unnecessary slaughter of adoptable dogs and cats. N.Y.C. government services were very effective in their efforts of rehoming by coordinating with the Animal Rescues and with the local Pet Stores throughout the 5 boroughs; thus reducing the number of needless euthanasia. By proclaiming a victory and embodying the "Yes We Can" spirit, New Yorkers were uplifted and reenergized; demonstrating that with time, effort and money almost anything can be fixed in this society of ours. Yes we can... make the world better!

On the other hand, starting in 2009, the San Francisco Animal Control Welfare Commission went negative. Citing an excessive euthanasia rate and overpopulation in our city's shelters and rescues they wanted to mandate a citywide ban of the sale of pets from pet stores. Unfortunately their premises were absolute fabrications. If one looks at ACC statistics for 2009 under the category of "available" meaning "adoptable without defect", not one dog or cat was euthanized. In fact for that year under the category of "available" the only pets euthanized in the City and County of San Francisco were 10 mice and 2 hamsters. As for overpopulation in our local shelters and rescues; if that is the case why is that Pets Unlimited and the SFSPCA are bussing in several thousand dogs and cats from the Central Valley or flying them in from Taiwan?

Don't get me wrong, I thoroughly support bringing in pets from other locals and rehoming here where we have the demand and resources. I think this program could be vastly expanded without spending another dime. Unfortunately, in the last 25 years, because of a "holier than thou" attitude and an uncompromising ideological agenda, animal rights activist refuse to work together with pet shops (those that sell live animals) or pet supply stores to create additional opportunities to find homes for shelter animals. I'm familiar with a pet shop near Santa Rosa that works with the local Humane Society

to rehome cats. The store averages 300 cat adoptions a year. The Basic Bird pet store in Berkeley rehomes (in house) 75 cats a year and also frequently sponsors a rescue group which displays cats for adoption in front of its store on weekends. With some prodding over the last two years, I'm finally starting to see a slight change in attitude from the ACC and ASPCA but we still aren't utilizing one of our very best avenues for pet adoption. Just think of how many more pets could be rehomed in San Francisco if pet shops and pet supply stores would be allowed to fully participate.

I've been going to the meetings of the Animal Welfare Commission for the past two years. Originally I began attending because of the pet ban consideration. I was amazed that in our incredibly creative, fair and open city that this was the best solution that they could dig up. I have continued to attend because I think a different voice should be heard other than the "fringe" and a commission that is stuck on one note. What has struck me most about the present commission is how suffocatingly ideologically oriented they are; completely closed to practical or new ideas in resolving issues. I feel that with my voiced added to the Animal Welfare Commission there could be a more pragmatic approach in dealing with the future.

1/12/12 Animal Welfare Commission Greet Pinocchio

Last June of 2011, 4 of the current members of this Animal Welfare Commission stood before the Rules Committee. They presented the Supervisors with a fact sheet. This "fact sheet" stated "as fact" that there are 4 pet shops in the City of San Francisco that sell dogs. This Fact was an intentional lie!

Commissioner Gerrie clarified when asked in July of 2009 that there was only one pet store in SF which sells 50 to 75 dogs per year. A month and a half later, another meeting included Commissioners Stephens, Hemphill and Gerrie and the owner of Pet Central, the single dog-selling establishment. It was known and mentioned before the meeting that this was the only store that sells dogs in the city.

It is interesting to see how a lie takes on it's own life. First the lie was put before the Members of the Board of Supervisors. Then, the next month the lie, still alive and well, shows up in this chamber, over on that table, next to the copies of the minutes and agenda. Still not a peep about the lie and I'm sorry to say neither complicity or ignorance are good excuses! Finally it hits the Examiner; "Let's lie to the public." We all know that once a lie is published, it becomes our new truth.

So why lie to the Supervisors and the Public? Could it be "the ends justify the means?" For the last year and a half that I have been coming here, I feel that most of the commissioners and their allies, care more about their political agenda than they care about lowering the euthanasia rate. They care more about their ideology than increasing the opportunities for rehoming of companion pets. This commission and its allies don't care if they tell the truth, they'll do what it takes to get what they want.

Members of this commission and it's allies continuously speak for the moral high road. But if they continue being disingenuous and /or lie; they will end up sounding like self righteous sanctimonious hypocrites, *worse*, they will be letting down the People of San Francisco.

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4/8/12 SPCA Statistics should be in Pinocchio's Doghouse!

I was very impressed with the size and scope of the survey conducted by Dr. Scarlett and the SFSPCA. Getting 426 San Franciscans to respond to a phone survey must have meant thousands of calls and hundreds of people-hours of work. What I found of particular interest was the great disparity between the National Statistics and the San Francisco SPCA survey in nearly every category of question. For example, San Franciscans acquire dogs from shelters 3 times higher than the national average.

As I said, all of Dr. Scarlett's categories showed significant difference between National and Local statistics. All categories except for the category called "Acquisition of Dogs from Pet Stores". Nationally that total is 7% and the SFSPCA's survey matched with 7%.

Armed with this statistic, Dr. S went on to espouse her personal support of this Commissioner proposed "PET BAN" of 2010.

Using Dr. Scarlett's own calculations, that San Franciscans acquire 8-10 thousand new dogs every year would mean that the local pet stores who sell dogs must churn them out at a rate of 560 to 700 dogs per year. Those figures didn't strike me as right so I decided to do my own survey. State law requires pet stores to keep records of all dog sales which made my job easy. I visited the dog-selling pet stores who were happy to share their numbers, these totaled to about 130 dog sales (not 5-7 hundred) to San Francisco residents. Adding a margin of error of 33% you still only reach 175 dogs sold by local pet stores. This is only 2% - I wonder why this statistic needed to be inflated to 7%?

I am vexed, and also saddened, but most of all totally FATOOTSED AT THE LEVEL OF dishonesty of this Commission and Animal Rights Activists within San Francisco. Starting nearly 2 years ago with Ms Katz proclaiming on television that ACC receives 300 pet birds a year; when in reality her own statistics clearly shows an intake of 109 birds... to this Commission's Pinocchio episode with the Examiner and members of the Board of Supervisors where you claim that there are 4 pet stores in SF selling dogs instead of the correct number which is 1... and now this; the head of the SPCA artistically fabricating the empirical data of a survey to help support her cause. I think this Commission and the Animal Rights activists who grace this hall's new motto should be.... "If the statistics don't fit; we'll make up our own shit."

4/23/12 Addendum

At the March 8th meeting of the Animal Welfare Commission, Dr. Scarlett made public the S.P.C.A.'s findings from a 2011 phone survey to learn where and how San Francisco residents acquire dogs. We were told that 426 S.F. residents responded to this

phone survey. By April 18th, a different version of the survey was published in the Chronicle. The number of S.F. residents responding to the new survey had now dropped to only 300 and somehow another "408 Bay Area" residents from outside the city were added to this survey. The most incredible thing about these 2 surveys was that the statistical results were absolutely.... exactly..... identical.

So, how many surveys did the SPCA conduct or maybe the better question is how many versions of the survey are out there? Why can't they do a survey and stick to empirical fact. What are they trying to gain or hide from this smoke and mirrors charade?

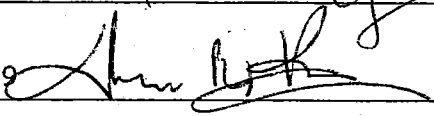
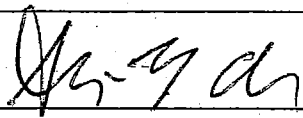
We, the undersigned believe that the current Animal Welfare Commission is biased and does not adequately represent the diverse needs and opinions of it's citizenry. Therefore, we support and request the appointment of **James Yorck** to the **San Francisco Animal Control & Welfare Commission.**

Name (SF residents only please)	Address	Comments
1 BARBARA HAMANN	SF, CA	Great, dedicated MAN who LOVES ANIMALS
2 Jean KINTZ	SF CA 94122	—
3 Germaine Smith	3074th St. SF CA 94118	Very good to work with, congenial.
4 <del>Phillips A. Lopez</del>	SF. CA. 94103	THE BEST
5 <del>V. Petros</del>	SF CA 94118	Very good
6 SANDRA C. SMITH	1552 LAKE ST. SF CA 94118	Excellent with due diligence to the well being of animals. A great love for animals & their care.
7 John C. Elsbree	573 Missouri St. SF CA 94107	Good man. Good with animals and people. Cares.
8 Anton Kechedjian	SF CA	Amazingly helpful
9 Lydia Perez	318 Naglee 94112 San Francisco	
10 Clark Perez	318 Naglee 94112 San Francisco	
<del>Kathy McCarthy</del>	<del>S.F. CA 94112</del>	<del>Kathy McCarthy</del>
12 GLENDON "ANN CONDA" HIDE	4 TENNIFER PL SF CA 94107	MO HIDE
13 DIANE A. DANA	SF 94109 1817 California St.	K Dana
14 Jerry Fuller	133 Brevin Vista Terr SF CA 94117	
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Name (SF residents only please)	Address	Comments
1 Alexander Nguyen	90 Lunado way	
2 Dianna Stammerjohn	539-45th Ave	
3 DORIANE TINK	2850 3rd Ave	
4 Rosalind Friedman	827-36th Ave	
5 JOHN SUPER	1632 Lawton St	
6 Mary Ann Barkworth	59 Tucker Ave 94134	
7 N. Zaidler	1718-31st Ave	
8 TERRY INGRAM	1527 KIRKHAM SF	
9 ANNA E. BARE	1285 44th AVE. #4 SF CA	
10 Mark Altamirano	1039 Oak St SF CA 94117	
11 Alicia Lopez	2911 Irving St. S.F. CA 94122	
12 Rose Reinherm	1445 - 35th Ave SF, CA 94122	
13 Hubert Johnson	413 205th St SF, CA 94102	
14 Dominique Carbett	1445 Laguna St #1 SF, CA 94115	
15 [Signature]	2015-28th Ave SF CA 94116	Go Jamie
16 Joanna Zweig	1329-20th Ave #4 SF, CA 94122	

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Name (SF residents only please)	Address	Comments
1 JOHN CHAN	660 BROADWAY SFO	
2 IVY CHANG	871 TURK ST SFO #403	
3 Queenie Cheng	1365 Portola Dr. SFO	
4 Jicanyi Zhu	2414 11th St Oakland CA	
5 Jian Qi Li	228 Repler St	
6 Jia Hao Li	279 Columbus Ave #2	
7 XUBXIAN WEN	555 HYDE ST #5	
8 weiyu Huang	470 Girard	
9 	340 VALLEJO ST SFO	
10 shao mei cheng	660 Broadway #5	
11 Wilson Huang	810 Battery #B302	
12 	27 ST LOUISA ST SFO	
13 XINYIN GON	660 BROADWAY SF-APT 5	
14 JOHN CHAN	660 BROADWAY SF-APT 5	
15 Bo Xiong Li	218 Repler St	
16 Guo Ming Kuang	660 Broadway APT 1	

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Name (SF residents only please)	Address	Comments
1 <i>Pat Leung</i>	638 Broadway SF	
2 <i>Lisa Brown</i>	638 Broadway SF	
3 <i>Joseph P. Chen</i>	P.O. Box 8197	FREMONT
4 <i>[Signature]</i>	1741 Mason St. SF CA.	
5 <i>Huangyi Wang</i>	228 Bepler St SF	
6 <i>Catschy</i>	1520 Stockton SF.	S.F.
7 <i>[Signature]</i>	P.O. Box 2037	S.T.
8 <i>Sue Truong</i>	1815 Powell St.	SF.
9 <i>Manson Chan</i>	660 Broadway SF	
10 <i>Conye Wu</i>	2334 41 <sup>st</sup> SF	
11 <i>Le Anh</i>	2334 41 <sup>st</sup>	
12 <i>[Signature]</i>	2027 28 <sup>th</sup> St	SF
13 <i>Jasun</i>	2026 30 <sup>th</sup> St	SF.
14 <i>Milkie Tam</i>	2146 32 <sup>nd</sup> St	S.F. CA 94116
15 <i>Tim O'Brien</i>	660 Broadway SF	APT#5
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**Jamie Yorck is seeking appointment to the San Francisco Animal Control & Welfare Commission.**



Jamie has lived in San Francisco for nearly 35 years, owning an exotic bird store on Fillmore St. for 23 years. He is active in the pet community and, during the recent battle against the ban of pet sales in the city of San Francisco, was an outspoken citizen. Over the past months he has regularly attended Commission meetings and has become keenly interested in implementing sane and practical policies regarding wild and domestic animals in our metropolis.

We hope you will support his appointment as a Commissioner.



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Application for Boards, Commissions and Committees

Application for Appointment to: Commission of Animal Welfare and Control
Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 2, 2 District: n/a

Name: Corey A. Evans

Home Address: Hazelwood Ave Zip: 94131

Home Phone: 415- Occupation: Lawyer

Work Phone: 415-896-5072 Employer: Evans & Page

Business Address: 2912 Diamond Street #346, San Francisco Zip: 94131

Business E-Mail: cevans@evansandpage.com Home E-Mail:

Check All That Apply:

A citizen of the United States. [X] At least 18 years old on or before Election Day. [X]

Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction [X]

A resident of San Francisco [X] Yes: [ ] No: (Place of Residence):

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)

I am an attorney that co-founded an animal law practice, and am an adjunct professor of Animal Law at Santa Clara University School of Law

Education:

See attached resume

Business and/or professional experience:

See attached resume

Civic Activities:

See attached resume

Ethnicity: (optional) Sex: (optional) [X] M [ ] F

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? [X] Yes [ ] No

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Date: 5/8/2012 Applicant's Signature: (required) [Signature]

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year.

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**COREY A. EVANS**

*Admitted to practice in:* California State Court, Ninth Circuit  
Court of Appeal & the following federal district courts –  
Northern, Eastern, Central & Southern

— Hazelwood Ave  
San Francisco 94127  
ph (415) —  
cevans@evansandpage.com

**EMPLOYMENT**

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- Evans & Page, San Francisco** Nov. 2002 – Present  
*Partner.* Founder of litigation law firm that practices in California State and federal courts. Lead attorney in civil and administrative proceedings from inception to jury verdict and appeal, including mediations, depositions, arbitrations, and legislative hearings.
- Santa Clara University School of Law, Santa Clara** 2006 - 2012  
**University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco** Spring 2009  
*Adjunct Professor.* Teach a three-credit law school course.
- Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom, Palo Alto** April 2000 – Sept. 2002  
*Associate Attorney.* Researched and drafted federal government regulatory filings for corporate compliance, and edited documents used in mergers and acquisitions.
- National Judicial Council, Reno** June 1999 – Aug. 1999  
*Legal Clerk.* Assisted with drafting and updating lessons plans for lecturers.
- Superior Court Judge Jerome Polaha, Reno** June 1999 – Aug. 1999  
*Law Clerk.* Researched and wrote draft bench memorandums on submitted motions.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING**

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- Harvard Law School Nat'l Law Conference, speaker** Mar. 2007  
**Lewis & Clark Law School Nat'l Conference, speaker** Oct. 2004, 2005 & 2006

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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- Harvard Law School Nat'l Moot Court Competition, Judge** Feb. 2006 & 2007  
**Chapman Law School Statewide Mock Trial Competition, Judge** Mar. 2006  
**Sacramento Area Animal Coalition (501(c)(3)), Director** 2002-2003
- 
- East San Jose Community Law Center, Legal Intern** Oct. 1998 – May 1999  
**Santa Barbara D.A.'s Office—Victim Witness Div., Intern** Dec. 1996 – May 1997

**EDUCATION**

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- Santa Clara University School of Law, Santa Clara** Juris Doctorate – 2001  
*Law Review Technical Editor*
- University of Calif. Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara** B.S. – 1998
- Lund University, Lund, Sweden** Focus: Democratic Institutions 1997– 1998
- De Anza Junior College, Cupertino** A.S. *cum laude* – 1996



October 4, 2012

Attn: Rules Committee  
Board of Supervisors

Sent via email to: [Alisa.Miller@sfgov.org](mailto:Alisa.Miller@sfgov.org); [Linda.Wong@sfgov.org](mailto:Linda.Wong@sfgov.org);  
[Derek.Evans@sfgov.org](mailto:Derek.Evans@sfgov.org)

RE: *Appointment to Commission of Animal Control and Welfare*  
Rules Committee Appointment Hearing October 4, 2012

Dear Committee Members:

I am applying for an appointment to the Commission of Animal Control and Welfare ("CACW"). I am a civil litigation attorney, and was unfortunately already scheduled to participate in a mediation in Los Angeles on October 4th when I was given notice of this meeting. Please accept this letter in lieu of my appearance at the Rules Committee meeting.

My litigation specialty is animal law, and I have practiced in this specialty for over 8 years. I founded this specialty practice with my partner Geneva Page, who was a CACW commissioner and whose term is expiring. I have regularly attended CACW's meetings for the last two years, and I understand the practice and procedure of the commission.

My expertise on animal-related legal issues is recognized by two Bay Area law schools, where I teach every other school year as an adjunct professor. I believe that it is important to have an attorney on the CACW, so that time is not wasted on proposed ordinances/proclamations that are preempted by state and/or federal law, or are otherwise likely to fail if legally challenged.

I am a San Francisco home owner and resident, and hope to help San Francisco achieve its goal of ensuring the humane treatment of animals. I am attaching my resume, which details my experience.

Regards,

Corey A. Evans, Esq.

Encl: Resume

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San Francisco, CA 94131  
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**Fw: Please reappoing Dr. Russo to Animal Control & Welfare Commission**

LDY to: Victor.Young, Alisa.Miller

10/03/2012 12:37 PM

Please respond to LDY

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History: This message has been replied to and forwarded.

Ms. Wong just sent an email that she is out of the office. Would you be so kind as to forward this email to the members of the Rules Committee. I am writing to support Susanna Russo, DVM to the Animal Control and Welfare Commission.

Thank you,  
Linda Yacobucci

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: LDY <harris.rose@att.net>

To: linda.wong@sfgov.org

Sent: Wed, October 3, 2012 12:35:39 PM

Subject: Please reappoing Dr. Russo to Animal Control & Welfare Commission

Dear Ms. Wong,

Please forward this email to the honorable supervisors on this Commission:

Supervisor Kim,

Supervisor Farrell,

Supervisor Campos

I am writing to support Susanna Russo, DVM for the seat she is reapplying for on the Animal Control and Welfare Commission.

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With Dr. Russo's background, she has been a wonderful addition to this commission. She has worked with animals for many years and has medical knowledge and experience with rescue and in feral cat rescue and trap/neuter/return programs.

Dr. Russo also runs a non-profit that educates the public in the humane treatment of animals and also has a very successful trap, neuter and return program for feral cats.

I personally have been in animal rescue work in San Francisco for many years. I've been an active volunteer with many nonprofits here. I'm very familiar with what is needed to help the animals of San Francisco live humane and fulfilling lives. With this background it is my opinion that Dr. Susanna Russo is a well suited, competent and knowledgeable current member of this Commission.

I ask that you reappoint Susanna Russo, DVM to her seat. Thank you,

Sincerely,

Linda Yacobucci



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Application for Boards, Commissions and Committees

Application for Appointment to: Commission of Animal Control and Welfare <sup>2012 MAY 18 (P. 2)</sup>  
Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): seat # 1 OR 2 District: 2

Name: Annemarie Fortier

Home Address: — Spruce St Zip: 94118

Home Phone: 415- — Occupation: homemaker

Work Phone: 415-244-0799 Employer: none

Business Address: Zip:

Business E-Mail: Home E-Mail: annemarie.fortier@ —

Check All That Apply:

- A citizen of the United States.  At least 18 years old on or before Election Day.
- Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction
- A resident of San Francisco  Yes:  No: (Place of Residence):

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)

A sixteen year resident of San Francisco. Dog owner. SPCA volunteer. Pet Assisted Therapy volunteer.

Education: B.A. Converse College

Business and/or professional experience: Finance. Equity sales

Civic Activities: Volunteer with SPCA, BizWorld Foundation.

Ethnicity: (optional) Sex: (optional)  M  F

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment?  Yes  No

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Date: May 2 2012 Applicant's Signature: (required) Annemarie Fortier

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year.

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**Application for Boards, Commissions and Committees**

Application for Appointment to: Commission of Animal Control and Welfare

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

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Seat # or Category (If applicable): 8 7

District: 8 Ak

Name: Susanna G. Russo

Home Address: Chenery St.

Zip: 94131

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: veterinarian

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: retired

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Home E-Mail: sgrdvm1@: \_\_\_\_\_

Check All That Apply:

A citizen of the United States.

At least 18 years old on or before Election Day.

Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction

A resident of San Francisco  Yes:  No: (Place of Residence): \_\_\_\_\_

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)

I have two years of experience on this Commission and believe I have made and will continue to make a valuable contribution to the discussions and recommendations of the Commission to the Board of Supervisors. My other qualifications include a strong commitment to animal welfare advocacy and a positive track record of community volunteerism and leadership.

Education:

D.V.M. 1996 Colorado State University  
M.A. Speech Language Pathology 1978 University of Denver  
B.A. History University of Washington 1974

Business and/or professional experience:

Public school speech language pathologist  
Special Education Coordinator  
Co-founder of Divine Feline, Inc.

Civic Activities:

Friends of the Urban Forest, S. F. Neighborhood Emergency Response Team Coordinator, San Francisco Choral Society, California Disaster Corps Candidate in Training, Peninsula Fix Our Ferals, Oakland Fix Our Ferals, Colorado Audubon Council Board of Directors

Ethnicity: (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: (optional)  M  F

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment?  Yes  No

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Date: April 27 2012 Applicant's Signature: (required) Susanna G. Russo D.V.M.

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year.

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**Application for Boards, Commissions and Committees**

Application for Appointment to: Commission of Animal Control and Welfare  
Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force

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Seat # or Category (If applicable): seat #7

District: AK

Name: Shari B. O'Neill, DVM, MPH, DACVPM

Home Address: 47th Avenue

Zip: 94122

Home Phone: 415.           

Occupation: veterinarian

Work Phone: 415.681.4313

Employer: Avenues Pet Hospital

Business Address: 2221 Taraval Street

Zip: 94116

Business E-Mail: avenuespethospital@gmail.com

Home E-Mail: sharidvm@           

**Check All That Apply:**

A citizen of the United States.

At least 18 years old on or before Election Day.

Not in prison or on parole for a felony conviction

A resident of San Francisco  Yes:  No: (Place of Residence):

Please state your qualifications (attach supplemental sheet if necessary)  
see attached

Education:  
see attached

**Business and/or professional experience:**  
I have been practicing clinical veterinary medicine and surgery since 1999.

**Civic Activities:**

I currently serve as the SFVMA representative on the San Francisco Disaster Preparedness Coalition for Animals (SFDPCA) for which I design and deliver training for disaster volunteers and perform community outreach programs for emergency preparedness for both professionals and the public.

Ethnicity: (optional)

Sex: (optional)  M  F

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment?  Yes  No

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Date: 6/7/12

Applicant's Signature: (required)

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**Shari B. O'Neill, DVM, MPH, DACVPM**

— 47th Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94122  
email: sharidvm@ —  
(415) —

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## **Statement of Qualifications**

As a private practice veterinarian with 13 years of companion animal clinical medicine and surgical experience, I can offer an expert opinion to the Board in matters relating to the care and welfare of animals in San Francisco. I also have additional expertise in public health issues related to animals including infectious and zoonotic disease, epidemiology, environmental health, and public health education, which would lend a unique perspective to the Commission.

Additionally, I currently serve as the San Francisco Veterinary Medical Association representative on the San Francisco Disaster Preparedness Coalition for Animals, which is responsible for emergency planning and coordination of public and private stakeholders in the local disaster response, as well as volunteer education and training, and community outreach for the public. Through the Coalition, I work with a number of organizations that deal with companion animal issues in different capacities including private and public animal shelters, and programs that assist special populations with companion animals such as the homeless and those living with HIV/AIDS. In collaborating with these other agencies I have come to appreciate the many points of view that arise when addressing issues related to animals in our community.

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# Shari B. O'Neill, DVM, MPH, DACVPM

47th Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94122  
email: sharidvm@  
(415)

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## EDUCATION

Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine, 1999  
Auburn University, College of Veterinary Medicine  
Magna Cum Laude

Master of Public Health, 2011  
University of Iowa, College of Public Health

## SPECIALTY BOARD CERTIFICATION

Diplomate, American College of Veterinary Preventive Medicine

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- January 2010  
to current      **Disaster Preparedness Coalition for Animals, SFVMA representative**  
Animal Care and Control, San Francisco, California
- Animal disaster planning for the City and County of San Francisco
  - Design and delivery of training for Disaster Animal Response Team volunteers
  - Community outreach program for companion animal emergency preparedness for professionals and the public
- June 2003  
to current      **Senior Associate Clinical Veterinarian**  
Avenues Pet Hospital, San Francisco, California
- Clinical practice/ small animal medicine and surgery
  - Supervision and teaching of Registered Veterinary Technicians and assistants
  - Website production/ maintenance
  - Doctor's scheduling, agendas for clinician and staff meetings
  - Consultant for workplace safety, preparedness plans
- July 2002  
to June 2003      **Associate Clinical Veterinarian**  
Park Animal Hospital, San Francisco, California
- Clinical practice/ small animal medicine and surgery
  - Supervision and teaching of Registered Veterinary Technicians and assistants
- July 2001  
to June 2002      **Associate Clinical Veterinarian**  
Bridge Street Veterinary Clinic, Brighton, Colorado
- Clinical practice/ small animal medicine and surgery
  - Supervising technical / front desk staff during evening hours
  - Assisting in hiring / interview process for support staff
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- June 1999  
to June 2001      **Associate Clinical Veterinarian**  
Emory Animal Hospital, Decatur, Georgia
- Clinical practice/ small animal medicine and surgery
  - Indirectly supervising four technicians
  - Establishing doctor's schedules
  - Coordinating, setting agendas for and scheduling staff meetings

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Veterinary Medical Association
- California Veterinary Medical Association
- San Francisco Veterinary Medical Association
- American Association of Public Health Veterinarians



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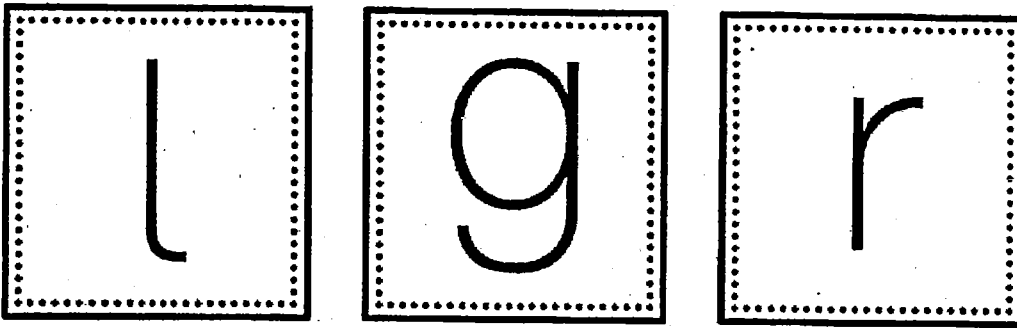
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Ms. Wong:

Please add the attached letter of support to my file for my application for the SF Animal Control and Welfare Commission.

Thank you,

Shari B. O'Neill, DVM



August 30, 2012

Linda Wong  
Board of Supervisors / SF LAFCo  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689  
Via email and USPS

*Re: SF Animal Control & Welfare Commission  
Seat 7*

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in support of Dr. Shari O'Neill for the position mentioned above.

In 2010, I founded Loup Garou Rescue, which focuses on saving black and dark colored animals from shelters where they are disproportionately euthanized. We established a relationship with Avenues Pet Hospital as our primary vet office, and this is where I met Dr. O'Neill. She has assisted our animals with every sort of imaginable health issue: from simple vaccines to surgeries to euthanasia. Recently, I had to make the difficult decision to put an elderly cat down. Dr. O'Neill took time to discuss the animal's health history with me, possible treatments, and what the cat's chances were. We had two discussions on the phone before I came to the conclusion that it was in the best interest of the cat to end her suffering, and Dr. O'Neill performed the euthanasia. In this and every circumstance, I have found Dr. O'Neill to be a nuanced blend of professional and compassionate. She never misses a step. She's simply a terrific vet, both with the animals AND with humans.

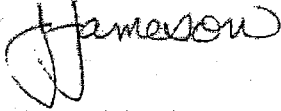
It is my opinion that Dr. O'Neill will bring her quiet excellence to the SF Animal Control & Welfare Commission, and the Commission would be better for it. It is

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my pleasure to recommend her as highly as possible for this post.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jameson".

Jennifer Mieuli Jameson  
Founder & Director  
Loup Garou Rescue

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August 16, 2012

To whom it may concern,

I strongly recommend Shari O'Neill for Seat 7 on the Animal Care and Welfare Commission. I have known Shari personally and professionally for many years. Professionally she is a compassionate, thorough and technically gifted veterinarian.

Personally she is reliable, self motivated and very easy to work with.

Shari O'Neill would be an asset to your organization.

If you require further information please do not hesitate to call me at the number above.

Sincerely,

Revel Paul  
Director  
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August 21, 2012

Rules Committee  
Supervisors Kim, Farrell, Campos  
c/o Clerk Linda Wong  
SF Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr. Carlton B Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Ms. Wong,

This is a letter of recommendation and support for Shari B. O'Neill, DVM, to fill the newly vacant seat #7 on the SF Animal Control and Welfare Commission recently vacated by Dr. Jack Aldrich upon his retirement. The City and the Commission would be fortunate to have Dr. O'Neill fill this spot.

I have worked closely with Dr. O'Neill for several years through her ground-breaking work with the San Francisco Disaster Preparedness Coalition for Animals assuring that her colleagues in the SF Veterinary Medical Association have access to information regarding personal/hospital/business awareness for City animals in the event of a disaster. She developed a survey and followed up with a presentation for the San Francisco veterinary community.

With the inception of Disaster Animal Response Team, of which she was an early member, and significantly, through the bi-annual DART training, Dr. O'Neill has demonstrated a consistent involvement with the crucial issues of animals in the City, giving freely of her time and expertise toward the education of her professional colleagues and the public in improving humane animal care. Her clinical experience in companion animal medicine and public health perspective give her a significant insight beneficial to human and non-human animal residents of San Francisco.

Dr. O'Neill will be an excellent and responsible Commissioner for the Board and I unequivocally recommend her appointment.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen Brown  
Deputy Director



July 27, 2012

John P Aldridge DVM  
Director of Veterinary Services, The San Francisco SPCA  
Commissioner, SF Animal Control and Welfare Commission 2010-2012  
Vice President, San Francisco Veterinary Medical Association

The Honorable San Francisco Board of Supervisors

This is a letter of recommendation and support for Shari B. O'Neill, DVM, to fill the newly vacant seat #7 on the SF Animal Control and Welfare Commission. I have held this seat since 2010 and continue to sit on the commission until the Rules Committee appoints a successor. I am personally retiring this year and therefore will no longer qualify for the requirements of this seat.

I have known Dr. O'Neill for several years, through her reputation as a respected veterinarian in San Francisco and for her excellent work with the San Francisco Disaster Preparedness Coalition for Animals. She has demonstrated a consistent involvement with the crucial issues of animals in the City during this time, giving freely of her expertise for the betterment of animal care in the city. She has a wealth of clinical experience in companion animal medicine and is a member in good standing of the San Francisco Veterinary Medical Association, American Association of Public Health Veterinarians, California Veterinary Medical Association and American Veterinary Medical Association.

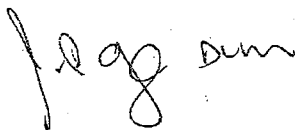
Her advanced degree as Master of Public Health will bring an added dimension to the talents and qualification of the Animal Control and Welfare Commission, should she succeed in being appointed.

Dr. O'Neill has additionally demonstrated her serious intent regarding this position by diligently attending meetings of the commission over the past several months.

Dr. O'Neill will be an excellent and responsible Commissioner for the Board and I heartedly recommend her appointment.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John P. Aldridge". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

John P Aldridge DVM



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*August 16, 2012*

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*Sincerely,*



*Revel Paul*

*Director*

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additional recommendation letter for seat #7 SF Animal Control and Welfare Commission  
Shari O'Neill  
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Ms. Wong,

Please add the attached letter to my application for seat #7 on the SF Animal Control and Welfare Commission.

Thanks for your help,

Shari B. O'Neill, DVM

September 11, 2012

The Honorable San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

It is a significant pleasure for me to write this letter in support of Shari O'Neill's application to fill seat #7 on the San Francisco Animal Control and Welfare Commission.

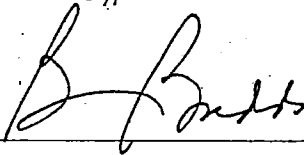
I have the great pleasure of knowing Shari both personally and professionally. Indeed, Shari has served as veterinarian for two of our pets—i.e., two of our beloved family members. Over many years and many issues, she has consistently provided competent, compassionate, and loving care for both our dogs and for us. She helped us provide a long and healthy life to our first dog and helped us provide him a most dignified end of life. And now she is helping us with the trials and tribulations of a young and rambunctious pup with steady care and professionalism.

Shari's practice is one that is based in sound science and profound common sense. She is careful to ensure that her diagnostic process is rigorous and based on current, solid evidence. At the same time, she is mindful of the real life demands on humans and canines in San Francisco. We could not ask for a finer doctor.

Over the last few years, as Shari has pursued her Master's in Public Health, we have had the opportunity to share our common professional interest in disaster preparedness and public health issues. As that is a focus of my consulting practice, I have been impressed by Shari's command of the subject and interest in translating that command into effective, practical application here in San Francisco.

Shari's professionalism, education, and uncommon good sense make her a wonderful candidate for the commission. The City would be much richer for Shari's contribution. I heartily support her candidacy.

Sincerely,



Brian Budds, RN, MS, JD

Adult Nurse Practitioner/Attorney at Law

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**COMMISSION OF ANIMAL CONTROL AND WELFARE**

**Contact and Address:**

Sally Stephens Chair  
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1200 15th Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103

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Fax: (415) 554-9424

Email: stephensfw@mindspring.com

**Authority:**

Added by Ordinance No. 226-73, approved on June, 1973. Code Section 41.1 et seq., Amended by Ordinance No. 59-82 approved on February 19, 1982; Amended by Ordinance 182-89 approved June 5, 1989; Amended by Ordinance 394-89 approved on November 6, 1989; Amended by Ordinance No. 107-99, May 7, 1999.

**Board Qualifications:**

The Commission of Animal Control and Welfare consists of 11 members, seven of whom are voting members appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The voting members appointed by the Board of Supervisors shall be six members representing the general public having interest and experience in animal matters and one licensed veterinarian practicing in San Francisco.

The other four members who are non-voting members include the following: One member shall consist of the Director of the Animal Care and Control Department or his or her designated representative. One City Department representative member shall be appointed by each of the following: the Director of the Department of Public Health or his or her designated representative; the Chief of Police or his or her designated representative; and the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department or his or her designated representative.

Each member of the Commission of Animal Control and Welfare of the City and County of San Francisco shall be a resident of the City and County of San Francisco, except for the licensed veterinarian, who must practice in San Francisco, but who need not be a resident of San Francisco.

The Commission shall have the powers and duties to (a) hold hearings and submit

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recommendations regarding animal control and welfare to the Board of Supervisors and the City Administrator; (b) study and recommend requirements for the maintenance of animals in public, private, and commercial care; and (c) work with the Tax Collector, the Director of the Animal Care and Control Department and authorized licensing entities to develop and maintain dog licensing procedures and make recommendations on fees.

Term of Office: Three of the members who are first appointed by the Board of Supervisors shall be designated to serve for terms of one year and three for two years from the date of their appointment. Thereafter, members shall be appointed as aforesaid for a term of two years, except that all of the vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term. A member shall hold office until his or her successor has been appointed and has qualified.

Reports: The Commission shall render a written report of its activities to the Board of Supervisors quarterly as stated in Section 41.3 of the San Francisco Health Code.

Sunset Date: None

Rec'd in Committee  
File No. 120858

Before I start I would personally like to thank Ms. Rebecca Katz of the ACC for her open mindedness to suggestions and ideas and her willingness to tackle projects in new and creative ways.

My name is Jamie Yorck and I want to thank you for considering me for the Animal Welfare & Control Commission. Last year I presented to the Rules Committee a petition with over 300 signatures that both condemned the one sidedness of the Animal Welfare Commission and also supported ~~me~~ my appointment.

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For more than 35 years, I've lived and worked in San Francisco. From 1978 to the end of 2000, I owned a small exotic bird store on Fillmore Street. I think my experience uniquely qualifies me with an expertise and a different perspective that ~~no~~ others ~~have in this room regarding pets and the rehoming of them.~~ Instead of singing my own praises I'm taking the opportunity to inform you....

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I began attending the commission meetings several years ago, when the Animal Welfare Commission was considering a ban on the sales of pets in San Francisco. A few months later the Commission was seriously deliberating upon another ban: the banning of the Blue Grass Festival from Golden Gate Park because it interfered with the feeding habits of the feral cat ~~population~~. Holy Moly, <sup>definitely</sup> this was more fun than the cooking channel; I was hooked! Ever since then, I have piously attended every single one of their meetings.

Wait

We live in the city named after Saint Francis with the ensuing myth of his great kindness and love of all animals. Unfortunately, in their zeal for a greater good, many of our home-grown Franciscan pet activists feel entitled to disregard some of the other biblical teachings... especially the one about "Thou shall not bare false witness."

Wait....

Last year, 4 Animal Welfare Commissioners stood before **this very** Rules Committee. They presented the Supervisors with a fact sheet. This "**fact sheet**" stated "**as fact**" that there are 4 pet shops in the City of San Francisco that sell dogs. This Fact was an intentional ~~but~~ ~~stupid~~ lie. For the last twenty years there has been only one pet store that sold dogs...60 per year!

Wait....

Last spring SFSPCA wrote an article in Chronicle about the phone survey they conducted on how San Franciscans acquire dogs. Unfortunately, under the category of Acquisition from Pet Stores, the statistics were so ludicrously inflated that one is left but too question the integrity of the whole survey.

Wait....

Front page October 2010 edition of the S.F. Weekly- "ACC rescues 35 cockatiels" the article stated that the birds were from an unknown source from within San Francisco and the onus was directed at our local pet stores. But just only a month before, at a meeting, a member of Mickaboo bird rescue stood up and bemoaned the fate of **exactly** 35 cockatiels located in Lake County. Clearly these 35 cockatiels had been brought from Lake County to San Francisco County and clearly this was another onslaught by our Franciscan pet activists to vilify our local stores. Commissioners Stephens, Gerrie and Hemphill attended this meeting and this was definitely another attempt to deceive the citizens of San Francisco.

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I support helping our neighbors but I do think that the people of this city deserve an honest accounting! How many pets per year are smuggled by our local rescues from outside of the city into ACC to inflate a crisis? Is it 35 or is it 350? Wait.....

I don't understand; in terms of causes and ideals, the Commissioners hold the morally higher ground but in terms of action; they always veer to the low road approach... This Commission is suppose to be the eyes and ears of San

Francisco and to serve the community. Unfortunately, the present Commission is an exclusive club for ideologues who refuse to work with people with differing view points. Appointing me to the commission may not be the politically correct choice for you, but isn't it time that the members of this commission reflect the diversity of ideas which are so very present in our city. If appointed Commissioner I promise to take an inclusive view to new ideas and new people. I would use all the many options available to help rehome unwanted pets. And finally I give you my word; that I will have an above board approach to solving problems.