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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors:

I have lived out in the County north of Woodland for over 30 years. We have experienced many litters of kittens dropped on our ranch, and many adult dogs have been left out in our area. When this happens, since we are responsible people, we try to trap, neuter and place, and alternatively, find homes or "safe places" for these dogs. As you might imagine many end up with us. We deal frequently with the animal shelter. We also personally support the Animal Shelter with donations. We have hosted fundraisers for it.

The Animal shelter is inadequate from a facility perspective. It was built in 1970-74 for a county population of approximately 100,000--in 2020 the population of our county was over 220,00. It does not offer critical services such as spay/neuter and needed vaccinations for lower income residents. Without accessible and reasonable spay and neuter services, the stray population expands. This causes more demands placed on Yolo County Animal Services. This also causes stress to Yolo County residents who care about their animals but need help funding their needs.

The time has come to upgrade our Animal Services. We urge that the members of the BOS support the Staff Report and move toward getting adequate Animal Shelter facilities.

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