

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS,** Seattle has more households with cats than with dogs or children, further proving that cats are the ultimate household companion; and

**WHEREAS,** cats embody the ideals of self-reliance, independence, and determination; and

**WHEREAS,** when not invading newly vacated boxes, cats can be found lounging in the sun, chasing lasers, and keeping your home free of mice; and

**WHEREAS,** by lowering blood pressure and reducing stress, cats greatly improve one's health; and

**WHEREAS,** cats have become the unofficial mascot of the Internet, resulting in untold hours of improved quality of life for all those watching cat videos; and

**WHEREAS,** between 6 and 8 million cats and dogs are taken in by animal shelters each year in the U.S. and adopting shelter cats ensures they live healthy, long lives; and

**WHEREAS,** June was Adopt-a-Shelter-Cat month and there continues to be an abundance of adoptable felines of all ages available at the Seattle Animal Shelter; and

**WHEREAS,** the Seattle Animal Shelter has more than 600 volunteers participating in 15 different volunteer programs and hosts adoption events twice a month where orphaned cats may find their forever homes; and

**WHEREAS,** cat enthusiasts, novice cat owners, and those interested in giving a forever home to a cat or kitten should head to Seattle Animal Shelter and find their new companion;

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDWARD B. MURRAY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, DO  
HEREBY PROCLAIM ON JULY 10, 2015 THAT CITY HALL BE RENAMED TEMPORARILY  
TO*

**Kitty Hall**



Mayor Edward B. Murray  
City of Seattle

