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Dear Members of the Public Safety Committee -

I fully support the trap-neuter-release legislation before the Committee. I chose to write this letter of support rather than testify in order to not take up valuable Committee time that would be better used by experts in the feral cat field.

I have limited feral cat experience, but follow this issue closely and believe trap-neuter-release is the most cost-effective and humane solution to the feral cat problem.

Those individuals who spay/neuter their outdoor cats end the cycle of endless unsocialized kittens and their suffering. Those individuals who merely feed feral cats, with no attempts made to provide shelter, spay/neuter or socialize these cats, are not being kind, but are being cruel. By failing to spay/neuter, more misery is created due to the competition of kittens and fights between cats with the resulting wounds and disease transmission.

isn't great, but at least if food and shelter are provided, along with spaying/neutering, it's as high of a quality of life that can be achieved with the cat's socialization level.

Please support Ald. Kovacs' legislation before you today.

Sincerely,

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