

Proclamation

25-09

Whereas, dogs and cats are an integral part of the quality of life of our community, with approximately 5,780 pet dogs and 6,314 pet cats living in Franklin County, and 89.9 million dogs and 61.9 million cats nationwide; and

Whereas, animal shelter employees must respond to the needs of the community, keeping animals and humans safe from harm; and

Whereas, animal shelters make communities better places to live, taking stray animals off the streets and out of harms' way; and

Whereas, animal shelters help both animals and people in many ways: by returning lost pets to their owners, educating the public, and matching homeless animals with loving new families; and

Whereas, animal shelters receive important donations of money, goods and volunteer time to assist in their important missions; and

Whereas, Prairie Paws Animal Shelter reflects best shelter practices, with veterinary care, enrichment, and socialization programs to provide the best possible outcome for each animal in its care; and

Whereas, Franklin County is one of the kindest counties in America to homeless pets;

Now Therefore, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim November 2-8, 2025 to be:

ANIMAL SHELTER APPRECIATION WEEK November 2 – 8, 2025

In Franklin County, Kansas we call upon all citizens to recommit to the animals in our community with responsible pet ownership and support of local efforts to help homeless animals.

Signed this 5th day of November 2025.


Rod Harris, Commission Chair

Attested and Recorded this 5th day of November 2025.


Janet Paddock, County Clerk



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COUNTY KANSAS
EST. 1855