



*City of
Encinitas*

Office of
The Mayor

June 27, 2017

The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell
Assembly Member
70th District State Capitol, Room 2196
Sacramento, CA 95814

Catherine S. Blakespear
Mayor

**RE: AB 485 (O'Donnell) Pet Rescue & Adoption Act
LETTER OF SUPPORT**

Dear Assembly Member O'Donnell,

Tony Kranz
Deputy Mayor

The City of Encinitas is pleased to write in support of your AB 485, which promotes the adoption of animals from shelters and rescue groups and encourages humane practices in the purchase of dogs and cats offered for retail sale in California.

Tasha Boerner Horvath
Council Member

California taxpayers spend a quarter of a billion dollars annually to house and kill animals in local shelters while puppy mills throughout the country continue to mass breed animals for profit. AB 485 curtails these operations by supporting access to pet rescue and adoption in California retail pet stores.

Joe Mosca
Council Member

By offering animals for adoption from nearby shelters, pet stores can save the lives of animals in search of a home, save the breeding animals trapped in puppy mills, and relieve pressure on county budgets and local tax payers. For these reasons, The City of Encinitas supports AB 485.

Thank you for your effort in authoring and driving this measure forward.

Mark Muir
Council Member

Sincerely,

Catherine S. Blakespear
Mayor

Karen P. Brust
City Manager

cc: City Council