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From: Peter Kats <odessa.kat@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 11:10 AM
To: EngAGE@CDA
Subject: In Support of PAWS

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

I hope the people who make the decision of allocating money to PAWS, and the other organizations like PAWS, understand that the allocated money actually significantly save money that the State spend on health care of the thousands of senior pet owners.

For many years I am a member of PAWS.

Needless to say that having a pet is a fun. But PAWS is not the organization promoting fun. PAWS is the serious organization that allow thousand of ill seniors to take care of their companion pets.

Each morning, regardless how bad I may feel, I stand up to give my cat food, fresh water, and to clean cat's litter box.

The cat gives me a stimulus to keep my health - who will take care of my cat if I am in hospital. Thus my cat actually reduces the financial burden of the State for my medical and mental treatments.

Yes, by taking care for a companion pet the seniors indeed need less visits to doctors and less medications. PAWS pet support services (for example, pet food banks, veterinary care, and emergency pet foster care) allow the thousands of senior pet owners to use "saved" money for their own health care, and thus significantly reduce the financial burden of the State for treatments of their physical and mental conditions.

I hope the people who make the decision of allocating money to PAWS and other organizations like PAWS understand that the allocated money significantly reduce the financial burden of State for treatment of physical and mental conditions of the thousands of senior pet owners.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Peter Kats,
PAWS recipient