

## A Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Office of the County Executive for Prince George's County, Maryland, recognizes the week of November 2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as National Animal Shelter *Appreciation Week* in Prince George's County; and

WHEREAS, the Animal Services Division within the Department of the Environment has made significant and measurable progress in serving the animals of the County by increasing the "save rate" of animals in their care by more than 20 percent in just two years; and

WHEREAS, the first quarter of this fiscal year has achieved the highest "save rate" in the history of the shelter, reaching 86%; and

WHEREAS, this increase in "save rate" signifies the real-life outcome of saving more than a thousand additional animals; and

WHEREAS, this improvement in the "save rate" is a result of the tireless efforts of the passionate and dedicated members of the Animal Services Division; and

WHEREAS, the Animal Services Division reported the following annual statistics: 2,000 animals adopted, 6,000 animals brought in for care, 1,000 animals returned to owners, 5,000 incidents handled by Animal Control Officers, 50,000 calls processed, and countless small acts of care for the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, AISHA BRAVEBOY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim November 2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as Animal Shelter Appreciation Week in Prince George's County, Maryland.

Aisha Bravelog

County Executive