

**RESOLUTION #05-10-21-02**  
**AUTHORIZATION TO SUE FOR ANIMALS**

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 717B Code of Iowa provides that a local entity, either a city or county, may petition the court to determine an animal is threatened, and if so, the court may order what is appropriate for that animal; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 717B Code of Iowa further provides that a local entity may petition the court to order the owner(s) pay rescue costs of a threatened animal; and

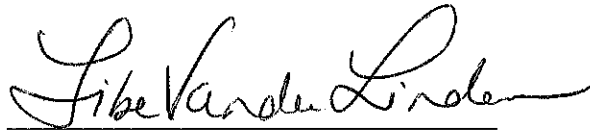
WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Attorney has filed an action to pursue such relief involving 20 dogs, 29 cats, 8 birds, 1 rabbit and 1 guinea pig all allegedly threatened, which were placed at the Muscatine Humane Society on May 4, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Muscatine County Attorney's Office may pursue a civil legal remedy to this matter as provided in Iowa Code Section 717B with the permission of the Board of Supervisors.

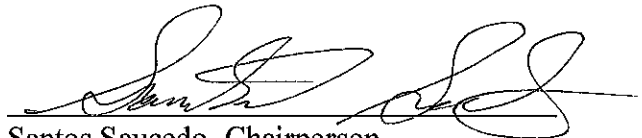
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Muscatine County Board of Supervisors that the Muscatine County Attorney is authorized to proceed on behalf of Muscatine County as provided in Iowa Code Section 717B with respect to the 20 dogs, 29 cats, 8 birds, 1 rabbit and 1 guinea pig.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

ATTEST:



Tibe Vander Linden  
Muscatine County Auditor



Santos Saucedo, Chairperson  
Muscatine County Board of Supervisors