

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS, the community philosophy and commitment to saving every healthy or treatable dog and cat in a shelter who can be saved results in at least 90% of the companion animals that enter shelters leaving that facility alive; and
- WHEREAS, many loving and healthy animals are waiting for homes in shelters and rescues throughout Indiana, and many Indiana shelters implement proven programs and policies to provide alternatives to the unnecessary killing of dogs and cats; and
- WHEREAS, adoption provides dogs and cats a second chance at life and helps reduce the strain on overcrowded shelters, and promoting pet adoption supports animal welfare and encourages responsible pet ownership within the community; and
- WHEREAS, Hoosiers should work together to achieve a no-kill in Indiana in 2025; and
- WHEREAS, animal shelters can do this by employing lifesaving programs such as foster care networks; adoption programs; medical and behavioral programs; public education and awareness programs; community cat trap, neuter, vaccinate, and return programs; and animal socialization programs to prioritize lifesaving

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Braun, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim September 7-13th, 2025 as

INDIANA LOVES SHELTER PETS WEEK

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 15th
day of August the year of our
Lord 2025 and of the Independence
of the United States 249.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

Mike Braun