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From : Clerk to the Legislative Council

To : All Members of the Legislative Council

Council meeting of 30 May 2012

Motion on
"Promoting animal rights and interests"

Hon Fred LI has given notice to move the attached motion on "Promoting animal rights and interests" at the Council meeting of 30 May 2012. The President has directed that "it be printed in the terms in which it was handed in" on the Agenda of the Council.

(Mrs Justina LAM)
for Clerk to the Legislative Council

Encl.

**Motion on
"Promoting animal rights and interests"
to be moved by Hon Fred LI
at the Council meeting of 30 May 2012**

Wording of the Motion

That, as Hong Kong society attaches increasing importance to animal rights and interests, and in order to motivate people to treat animals well and live in harmony with animals in the community, reduce at source the number of stray animals in the community, and effectively combat crimes of animal cruelty, this Council urges the Government to:

(a)   strengthen co-operation with District Councils to promote the 'Trap-Neuter-Return' programme on a trial basis, and following the success of the trial programme, implement the programme in all districts of Hong Kong;

(b)   expedite the implementation of the various proposed measures for regulating the pet trade, including introducing Home Animal Breeder Permit and Commercial Animal Breeder Permit, substantially raising the maximum fine for illegal trading of animals to $100,000 and increasing the fine for breaching of licensing conditions to $50,000; and

(c)   establish specialist 'animal police' teams in the Hong Kong Police Force to replace the existing 'Animal Watch Scheme', whose responsibilities include conducting specially tasked investigations into all animal cruelty cases, as well as undertaking publicity and education to make the public aware that cruelty to animals are illegal acts.