



**CITY OF LODI  
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

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**AGENDA TITLE:** Presentation of Proclamation Proclaiming the Week of April 7-13, 2013, as "National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week"

**MEETING DATE:** ~~April 4, 2012~~ April 3, 2013

**PREPARED BY:** Chief of Police

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Presentation of proclamation proclaiming the week of April 7-13, 2013, as "National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week."

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week is a national event to recognize the men and women who handle all calls related to wild and domestic animals in distress.

Every day, in all of our communities, dedicated Animal Services Officers answer calls for assistance. They rescue animals in danger, investigate situations of alleged animal abuse and neglect, transport injured animals to veterinary hospitals for care, and regularly educate pet owners about responsible pet care.

We depend upon Animal Services Officers to fulfill the Animal Services Division's commitment to providing the highest and most efficient level of customer service. They are dedicated to the health, safety, and protection of the citizens and animals of Lodi.

The Lodi Police Department has one Assistant Animal Services Officer and one Animal Services Supervisor who work 9-hour shifts.

A representative of the Police Department Animal Services Division will be present to accept the proclamation.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

**FUNDING AVAILABLE:** Not applicable.

Mark Helms  
Chief of Police

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APPROVED:

Konradt Bartlam, City Manager