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	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>ISSUE</u>
✓1.	Terri Thompson	1214 Greenwalk Hwy	Animal Ordinance
✓2.	Donna French	333 W. Lake Ave.	Animal Ordinance
✓3.	RUBEN BROWN	416 BRAYS MTR. DR.	PRIVATE ROADS
✓4.	MARY CERVINI	112 Founders Dr Flat B	AN. Ord.
✓5.	Mike Cervini	112 Founders Dr. FR	ANIMAL ORDINANCE
✓6.	Pam Burgess	14 FOREVER FRIEND LANE	AN. ORD.
✓7.	Virginia Schmidt	50 Lofty Pine Lane <sup>mills River</sup>	Animal Ordinance
✓8.	Guri Andermann	140 Coral DR	Animal Ordinance
✓9.	Pam McLaughlin	350 Summerfield Pl. <sup>Flat Rock</sup>	Animal Ordinance
✓10.	RAY McCASTLE	578 GILBERT COVE DRIVE	ANIMAL ORDINANCE
✓11.	FIELDING LUCAS	50 Spur Tr	Parker
✓12.	Erma Huntley Rhodes	55 Huntley Stepp Lane	Animal Ord
✓13.	Smith Ann Smith	11 Regency Rd	Citizen against Pony Sales Ste MS

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2.	BARBARA GLASSMAN	1215 LUGANO DR. HENDERSONVILLE, NC	ANIMAL ORDINANCE
3.	STEWART DAVID	400 BULL CREEK RD ASHEVILLE, NC	ANIMAL ORDINANCE
4.	Fred de Lomas	109 Snow King Fk Rd	Cherry coffee Sunday
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Position Statement  
Proposed Modification to the Henderson County Animal Ordinance  
July 20, 2011

The Blue Ridge Humane Society is a nonprofit, limited-admission animal welfare organization dedicated to providing a safe sheltering environment for homeless, injured and abused animals awaiting adoption. We are committed to proper animal care, spay and neutering as the responsible control for our community's pet population and the reduction of needless euthanasia. We have operated for over 60 years within Henderson County, North Carolina.

The members of the Board of Directors for the Blue Ridge Humane Society have unanimously approved the following position statement regarding the proposed modification to the county's animal ordinance that would allow the sale, trade or giveaway of dogs and cats in open-air markets and flea markets.

**"As members of the Board of Directors, it is our responsibility to advocate for the humane treatment of all animals. Henderson County euthanized over 3600 homeless animals in 2010 due to pet overpopulation. Tragically, most were adoptable animals. This modified ordinance will further the exploitation of animals and deliberate breeding, creating further overpopulation. Blue Ridge Humane Society strongly opposes modification to the Animal Ordinance that would allow the sale, trade, or giveaway of cats and dogs in open-air markets.**

**Based on information provided by our Veterinary Advisory Board, the sale of animals in an unlicensed, unsupervised, uninspected setting puts humans and animals at risk for health threats such as rabies, parasites, and other communicable diseases. The indiscriminate sales of animals, fosters opportunistic display of young, stressed, and perhaps ill animals to unsuspecting consumers. Lack of medical oversight, a written contract, or proof of ownership in such a setting, leaves consumers without recourse.**

**In support of the humane treatment of animals in Henderson County, the Blue Ridge Humane Society respectfully requests that the Commissioners vote against this proposed modification of the Animal Ordinance.**

Scott Keels, President  
Blue Ridge Humane Society  
Board of Directors

Terri Thompson, Executive Director  
Blue Ridge Humane Society