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THE ANIMAL COUNCIL (TAC) was founded in 1991 to combat San Mateo County's (California) action to enact legislation forbidding cat and dog breeding, and mandating sterilization of all cats and dogs. TAC is a California nonprofit, public benefit, tax-exempt (\$501c4) corporation. The officers and board include:

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TAC's goal is to seek positive, humane solutions to the challenges of animal rights activists through study, analysis and application of animal husbandry, statistics and law, and at the same time preserve human benefit from all species, breeds and registries.

In 1998, TAC has:

- Monitored selected federal, state and local legislation and regulation; prepared and submitted analysis, position papers and letters; disseminated reference materials, including 60 legislative updates; lobbied selected jurisdictions;
- Provided testimony to the San Mateo County (CA) Grand Jury;
- Submitted extensive Comments on proposed rulemaking by Texas, Georgia, the United States Department of Agriculture;
- Monitored The California Veterinary Medical Board, the California Department of Health Services Veterinary Public Health Unit; animal issues in legislation in adjacent jurisdictions; meetings of Peninsula Humane Society's Community Liaison Committee (mandated by the animal control contract in San Mateo County, CA) and the California Council of Companion Animal Advocates; and
- Provided counsel to inquiring individuals, organizations and legislators.

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