

THE ANIMAL COUNCIL Annual Report, 2008

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 (IRC §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 2008, TAC has:

- **Monitored selected federal, state and local legislation and regulation; prepared and submitted analysis, position papers and letters; disseminated reference materials, including legislative updates and topical reports furnished by electronic mail to individuals and organizations; and lobbied selected jurisdictions. In 2008 these included 13 timely updates, 4 brief news reports, 4 letters on pending legislation;**
- **Monitored California regulatory agencies and local California animal advisory commissions and boards;**
- **Provided counsel to inquiring individuals, organizations and Legislators; and responded to media inquiries on California legislation; and**
- **Continued development of the website with current and historic reference information including the comprehensive Bill Tracking Table, now with 3 years of California legislative history and a dedicated page for the National Pet Alliance with its entire collection of studies. <http://www.theanimalcouncil.com>**



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