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To:

Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

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From: Officer W. Holland, Jr., CSO - ACO

Town of Vinton Police Department

311 S. Pollard St. Vinton, Virginia 24179

Re:

Animal Intake 2024 (REPORT)

Dear VDACS Representative,

All sworn personnel with the Town of Vinton Police Department (VA) are trained on and follow all applicable state laws and town ordinances when determining whether it is necessary to take custody of a domestic animal. When officers find it necessary to take custody of any domestic animal, all of the information required by the Commonwealth of Virginia Code of Virginia 3.2-6557 (B) is documented on a Vinton Police Department Animal Control Intake Form.

The form is completed by every law enforcement officer employed by the agency, one form per each animal taken into custody, for which then the animal in question is transported to the Roanoke Regional Center for Animal Control and Protection, or to a veterinarian if deemed necessary based on the condition/ health of the animal.

The final disposition of each animal is noted on the form once the overall medical evaluation pertaining to veterinary health has been completed. This same information is collected on wildlife in cases where the animal has been submitted to a licensed wildlife rehabilitator/ center or euthanized by a licensed veterinarian in the field due to a critical injury or illness for possible rabies testing.

Once a domestic animal has been medically cleared to include holding of an animal based on COV, the Roanoke Regional Center for Animal Control and Protection shall take sole custody of the animal after the assigned release date per Code of Virginia and maintain care for the animal in their facility pending public adoption.

Officer William Holland, Jr. ACO