

**Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary**

Blue Sheet No. 20050383

1. ACTION REQUESTED/PURPOSE:

Present "Every Day is 'Tag Day'" Resolution

2. WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

3. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATION:

4. DEPARTMENTAL CATEGORY: #3

9:30 #3

5. MEETING DATE:

03-29-05

6. AGENDA:


CONSENT
 ADMINISTRATIVE
 APPEALS
 PUBLIC
 WALK-ON

**7. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE
(SPECIFY)**

STATUTE
 ORDINANCE
 ADMIN.
 CODE
 OTHER

8. REQUEST INITIATED:

COMMISSIONER Commissioner Janes
 DEPARTMENT County Commission
 DIVISION _____

BY: 

9. BACKGROUND:

10. REVIEW FOR SCHEDULING

Department Director	Purchasing or Contracts	Human Resources	Other	County Attorney	Budget Services				County Manager/P.W. Director
					Analyst	Risk	Grants	Mgr.	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

11. COMMISSION ACTION

Approved
 Deferred
 Denied
 Other



LEE COUNTY
S O U T H W E S T F L O R I D A

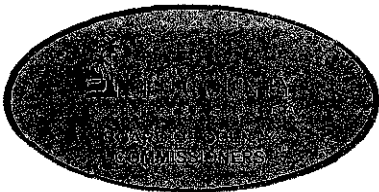
The Board of County Commissioners

R E S O L U T I O N

- Whereas: Companion pets provide us the benefits of friendship and love through their unremitting bond with their owners; and
- Whereas: We are endowed with the responsibility to care for and protect our companion pets for a lifetime, knowing they are dependent upon us for food, shelter, and protection from the dangers around them; and
- Whereas: One of the greatest responsibilities of companion pet ownership is to ensure proper care and security through annual veterinary visits, proper vaccination, licensing, and permanent identification; and
- Whereas: Every pet owner must take all available steps to prevent separation from their companion pets so they do not become lost and end up in our public shelter, or a much worse fate at large and on the roads; and
- Whereas: We recognize that, as human beings, we have the power to communicate with spoken and written language, while the animals we care for cannot, and thus it our responsibility to guarantee our companion pets a voice if they become lost or separated from us; and
- Whereas: Providing identification in the form of an ID tag, County license or registered permanent microchip ID is the only way to give our companions that voice when they are lost or separated; and
- Whereas: Nearly all animals that enter our public shelter with proper identification are reunited with their owners in a very timely manner; compared to only one in four dogs and one in fifty cats that are reunited with their owners when they have no identification.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida hereby declares that "Every Day is Tag Day in Lee County" in recognition of the national campaign for animal identification; and encourages our pet owners to identify their animals with Microchip IDs and a County License Tag.

Duly Executed this 29th day of March 2005.



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Chairman