Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

WHEREAS, shelter euthanasia is the leading cause of death for both dogs and cats in the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, more than 1.5 million pets are killed simply because homes cannot be found for them; and

WHEREAS, February is Spay/Neuter Awareness Month & World Spay Day was launched in 1995 to encourage people to spay/neuter their pets; and

WHEREAS, World Spay Day aims to save the lives of animals by reducing the number of unwanted litters and stray animals; and

WHEREAS, World Spay Day is an event that joins everyone around the world in one single effort to help control pet overpopulation and decrease the number of homeless and euthanized animals; and

WHEREAS, No or low-cost spay/neuter programs exist in the Venice, Florida and other Florida areas; and

WHEREAS, Spaying and neutering can improve pet health; reduce animal suffering; decrease the number of animals euthanized in shelters; reduce aggression and the incidence of some of the most common types of cat and dog cancers.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nick Pachota, Mayor of the City of Venice, on behalf of the Venice City Council, do hereby proclaim February 25, 2025 as

World Spay Day and February as Spay/Neuter Awareness Month

and encourage citizens to spay/neuter their pets.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Venice to be affixed this 11th day of February, 2025.

Nick Pachota,	Mayo