

Paulding County Board of Commissioners

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June 29, 2021

Hall County Board of Commissioners P.O. Drawer 1435 Gainesville, GA 30503

Re: Mr. Jayson Flatt

Dear County Commission:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a reference for Mr. Jayson Flatt.

Mr. Flatt is the founder of Friends to the Forlorn Pitbull Rescue, Inc. The organization is a volunteer-based 501(c)3 rescue and community outreach organization. Mr. Flatt and his organization have made a great impact in our community for many years. In October 2019 Paulding County was pleased to approve Mr. Flatt's application to rezone 46 acres to Agricultural for an Animal Care Facility.

Mr. Flatt has been working in our community for many years. He has been a great help to many, especially to our Animal Control Division. His organization has helped our Animal Control with emergency vet care and medication for the last ten-years. Mr. Flatt has also neutered over 7,500 animals in the last six-years free of charge for our community, and hosted a free vaccination clinic giving out 2,500 vaccines in just one day. His organization has run multiple pet food banks for families in need, and financed many medical procedures for pets of families in the community that would have otherwise had to euthanize or surrender their pets. These are just a few of his contributions to our community.

Just three-years ago Paulding County implemented the TNR Program to help citizens with feral cats. Mr. Flatt and his organization has assisted with helping to fund this program from its inception. I, along with the whole Board of Commissioners, do truly believe that Mr. Flatt and his organization has helped better our community and we are lucky to have the type of animal care facility he runs in Paulding County.

I encourage you to consider letting him be a part of your community; I hold Mr. Flatt in high regards and feel confident that his contributions will be of value to your citizens.

Sincerely,

David L. Carmichael, Chairman



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Animal Control

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July 1, 2021

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RE: Mr. Jason Flatt

Dear Board of Commissioners,

There are few whom I would recommend as highly as Jason Flatt. As the founder of Friends to the Forlorn Pit Bull Rescue (FTTF), Mr. Flatt has become a prominent voice for an under represented portion of the pet population. His rescue takes on dogs that no one else will consider. Not only has he improved the lives of every dog within his organization, but his generosity and support has had a far reaching effect on pets across Paulding County.

With his rescue, Jason Flatt not only saves the lives of dogs in municipal shelters across the metro Atlanta area, but he routinely works to improve the lives of community pets as well. Mr. Flatt has held free vaccine clinics and provided free spays/neuters, as well as contributed to the medical care of owned family pets. All of his efforts have had a positive ripple effect for Animal Control, with fewer owner surrenders and fewer unwanted litters.

While his community outreach is amazing, Jason Flatt has gone above and beyond to lend a hand, offer advice, and more to the Animal Control and shelter in Paulding County. Any time that we have asked for assistance with a sick animal, or had an outbreak in our shelter, he has immediately stepped up to help. Jason has ordered medication, syringes, supplies, etc. On multiple occasions, Mr. Flatt and his rescue have contributed greatly to help fund the county's Trap-Neuter-Release program. He has also helped stock our pet food pantry and even assisted in rescue transport not related to FTTF.

Mr. Flatt maintains a property in our county where some of the rescue's dogs live full time. In order to renew his license every year, our Animal Control Officers perform an onsite inspection of the premises. There has never been an issue that has needed to be addressed during these inspections. Also, we have no reported complaints against Mr. Flatt, his properties, or his dogs.

Jason Flatt is truly an asset to our community. Due to his personal efforts, and those of his rescue organization, Paulding County pets have benefitted greatly. Paulding County Animal Control truly considers him a friend and an ally.

There is no way to truly put into words how much we appreciate Jason Flatt and all that he has done for us. I know, without a doubt, that the amazing work that he does will follow him no matter where he goes.

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