

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-30**

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING AND CONTROL OF DOGS IN  
MOFFAT COUNTY, COLORADO, AND REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS,  
OR PORTIONS THEREOF, IN CONFLICT THEREWITH**

**RECITALS**

A. The Moffat County Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) has the authority pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes (“C.R.S.”) § 30-15-101(1)(a), as amended, to adopt a resolution for the control and rabies vaccination of pet animals, and to establish such other reasonable regulations and restrictions as may be deemed necessary.

B. The Board has the authority pursuant to C.R.S. § 30-15-101, as amended, to adopt a resolution for the control of unleashed or unclaimed animals.

C. The Board recognizes there are existing provisions in previous Moffat County Resolutions concerning the control of dogs which sometimes conflict with each other in various areas of unincorporated Moffat County, particularly on public recreation lands and facilities owned by the County.

D. The Moffat County Sheriff and his deputies are authorized by C.R.S. § 25-4-612 as amended, to assist and cooperate with public health officials in capturing and impounding any dog or cat which has not been inoculated for rabies or is found running at large.

E. Sometime before June 20, 1978, the Moffat County Board of County Commissioners adopted an Ordinance regarding the keeping, licensing, and restraining of dogs, which was subsequently amended and the original Ordinance cannot be located.

F. On June 20, 1978, the Moffat County Board of County Commissioners adopted “Amended Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_”, entitled AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO C.R.S. 1973, 30-15-101 *et seq.* PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING OF ALL DOGS WITH THE BOUNDARIES OF THE COUNTY OF MOFFAT, STATE OF COLORADO; PROHIBITING THE RUNNING AT LARGE OF ANY DOG; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

G. On February 8, 1979, and on other dates as well, the Moffat County Board of County Commissioners has adopted several other resolutions amending ordinances with provisions pertaining to the licensing and control of dogs. These provisions can be confusing.

H. The Moffat County Sheriff has recommended that the previously adopted Resolutions, Amended Resolutions and portions of Resolutions addressing dogs, be repealed, and a Resolution providing for the licensing and control of dogs be approved and adopted as necessary in order to better enable the County to regulate the licensing and control of dogs. The Board finds that the licensing and control of dogs within the territory of unincorporated Moffat County are matters of local concern and that regulation is necessary for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Moffat County.