

RESOLUTION NO. RS2019- 1868

A resolution condemning animal abuse in any form, including the soring and mistreatment of horses, and recognizing the federal regulatory safeguards in place to protect horses.

WHEREAS, Nashville and its citizens are against any form of animal abuse, soring or the mistreatment of any animal, including horses; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Walking Horse is the official horse of the state of Tennessee and Nashville and Davidson County are committed to preserving its history and tradition as the only breed of horse with the name of the state included in the official breed name; and

WHEREAS, Davidson County encourages any person with knowledge of any animal abuse, including any abuse of horses, to contact the appropriate authorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Metropolitan Council hereby goes on record as expressing its opposition of any form of animal abuse, soring or the mistreatment of any animal, including horses.

Section 2. Nashville recognizes that any horse must be inspected prior to showing at any show, including any show in Davidson County by a licensed inspector under the Horse Protection Act codified in 15 U.S.C. §§ 1821–1831 to ensure compliance with the Horse Protection Act and that only sound horses are allowed in any show, sale or exhibition.

Section 3. Nashville recognizes and acknowledges federal law exists to regulate horses and prohibits the use of items outlined in 9 CFR § 11.2.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

INTRODUCED BY:

Nancy VanReece

Sheri Weiner
Members of Council

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Nancy VanReece
Councilmember, District 8

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