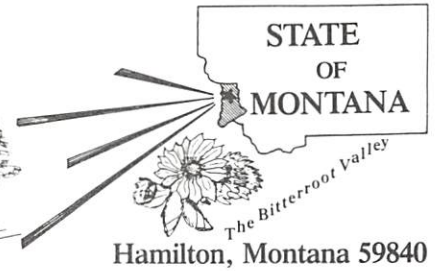


COUNTY OF RAVALLI



August 21, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

The Ravalli County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) is pleased to write this letter of support for the Bitter Root Humane Association and Shelter (BRHA). In recent years, Ravalli County has renewed its partnership with BRHA. This organization has been an integral part of our community since 1972 and has been there for our neighbors in good times and in bad.


As you may be aware, since the late 1990s Ravalli County has experienced numerous catastrophic wildfires. The BRHA has always been one of the first groups to mobilize during these times to insure that not just household pets, but all manner of livestock have safe and secure placement until these emergencies have been stabilized.

As Ravalli County has consistently been one of the fastest growing communities in western Montana, it is extremely important to county entities to have the type of relationship we have with the BRHA and its shelter as we deal with conflicts between the domestic animal and human populations.


Through its Sheriff's Office, Ravalli County has recently renewed its contractual relationship with the BRHA shelter, and we regard our partnership with them as invaluable.

Please feel free to contact the BCC should you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Commissioner Jeff Burrows
BCC Chairman



Commissioner Chris Hoffman



Commissioner Greg Chilcott