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January 21, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

34 January 21, 2014

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION OF FLEA AND TICK CONTROL TREATMENT FOR DOGS AND CATS IN COUNTY ANIMAL CARE CENTERS**

**SUBJECT**

Request approval to accept a donation of a one year supply of flea and tick control medication from the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation (Foundation) to the Department of Animal Care and Control (Department).

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Accept the one year in-kind donation valued at \$33,413 per month in the form of flea and tick control medication from the Foundation to provide preventative flea and tick control treatment for dogs and cats in County animal care centers.
2. Instruct your Board to prepare and send a letter of appreciation to the donors for their generous donation.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Department is pleased to inform your Board that it recently received the offer of a donation valued at \$33,413 per month in flea and tick control treatment from the Foundation to prevent and treat flea and tick parasites on dogs and cats impounded at the six County animal care centers. This donation will be used to enhance the Department's animal care and medical programs and increase the health and comfort of dogs and cats at all County animal care centers.

**Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of the donated products to the Department will support the organizational goal of service excellence (Goal 1) by enhancing the care and health of animals at County animal care centers, thereby supporting the public interest of providing safe and humane animal care for County residents.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The Foundation will procure and arrange for the delivery of the flea treatment medication from Merial, LCC, in accordance with the enclosed agreement amendment between the Foundation and Merial (Attachment I). The recommended action will not result in any additional cost to the Department.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Government Code Section 25355 permits the County to accept donations or other gifts for a specific County purpose. Section 2.4.2 of the County Fiscal Manual authorizes County departments to accept donations in excess of \$10,000 with Board approval.

The Foundation is a registered 501 (c) 3 non-profit foundation. The Foundation's sole purpose is to assist and promote the programs of the Department. Your Board approved an agreement between the Foundation and the Department on October 21, 2002, pursuant to County policies requiring Board approval of agreements between County departments and their supporting non-profit foundations.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The donation of flea and tick control treatment will greatly enhance the health and medical care of dogs and cats housed at the six County animal care centers. Fleas and ticks carry certain pathogens, create skin disorders, and make animals very uncomfortable. Dogs and cats are less likely to be adopted if they are harboring fleas and ticks. Customer service to adopters and pet owners will be enhanced by ensuring the animals are free from external parasites. By providing preventative flea and tick prevention, the animals will be healthier, happier, and more adoptable.

The medication that will be provided is Frontline Plus, a safe and well established flea and tick preventative medication. The medication is administered topically and will be provided to the animals when they enter the animal care centers. This administration will be part of the animals' routine intake process and will not take additional staff time or resources since it takes only moments to apply. By providing the medication at the onset of the animals' stay with the Department, the entire animal population will be better protected because the medication has immediate effect, and animals will not enter the general housing areas infested with external parasites. Therefore, the entire animal population at the animal care centers will be healthier, more comfortable, and more adoptable.

### **CONCLUSION**

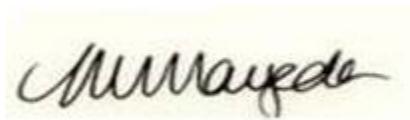
Two draft appreciation letters thanking Merial and the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation for the generous donation are shown as Attachment II. Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Animal Care and Control.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

1/21/2014

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M Mayeda", is centered on a light yellow rectangular background.

MARCIA MAYEDA

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office  
County Counsel  
Executive Office

**Amendment to Tier 1 Shelter  
PARTNERS IN PROTECTION PROGRAM<sup>®</sup> Agreement**

THIS AMENDMENT, dated November 22, 2013, is made between **Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation**, located at 5898 Cherry Avenue, Long Beach, California 90805 (hereinafter "Foundation"), and **Merial Limited**, a company limited by shares registered in England and Wales (registered number 3332751) with a registered office at P.O. Box 327, Sandringham House, Sandringham Avenue, Harlow Business Park, Harlow, Essex CM19 5QA, England, and domesticated in Delaware, USA as Merial LLC, and having a place of business at 3239 Satellite Boulevard, Duluth, Georgia 30096 USA (hereinafter "Merial"). This Amendment is to be incorporated as part of the Tier 1 Shelter PARTNERS IN PROTECTION PROGRAM<sup>®</sup> Agreement, which was effective June 1, 2013 (the "Agreement"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the same meaning given them in the Agreement.

**WITNESSETH:**

WHEREAS, Merial and Foundation entered into the Agreement; and

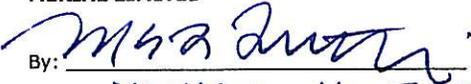
WHEREAS, the parties intend to retain all of the provisions and effects of the Agreement, except the following modifications described below.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

1. Section 9, Term and Termination, subsection (a), of the Agreement shall be amended by extending the Term of the Agreement beginning January 1, 2014 up to and through December 31, 2014.
2. All provisions of this Amendment shall be given the same force and effect as the provisions in the Agreement. All other terms of the Agreement will remain in effect.
3. This Amendment shall be deemed effective as of the date first written above upon execution of this Amendment by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by themselves or their duly authorized representatives.

**MERIAL LIMITED**

By: 

Name: MICHAEL HUTTON

Title: SR DIR MKTG.

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY ANIMAL CARE  
FOUNDATION**

By: 

Name: John Gonzales

Title: President

Return one executed  
original to:  
Legal Department  
Merial Limited  
3239 Satellite Blvd  
Duluth, GA 30096

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22 November 2013

(DATE)

Mr. Michael Hutton  
Merial, LLC  
3239 Satellite Boulevard  
Duluth, GA 30096

Dear Mr. Hutton:

At its meeting of January 21, 2014, the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors accepted, with thanks, the generous donation of a five-month supply of flea and tick control products for dogs and cats sheltered by the County of Los Angeles, valued at \$33,413 per month.

This donation will greatly enhance the health and well being of animals sheltered by the County of Los Angeles and create greater customer satisfaction among our adopters. We deeply appreciate your kindness in helping homeless animals.

The Board members requested that I express their appreciation to you for this generous donation.

Very Truly Yours,

SACHI HAMAI  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

(DATE)

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Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation  
P.O. Box 100515  
Pasadena, CA 91189

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