

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY )

AFFIDAVIT

Molly Lunaris, being first duly sworn, deposes and states:

1. I am the Supervisor of Animal Control, within the Department of Safety & Inspections.
2. I am aware that Ms. Cordry has appealed the determination that she has failed to comply with the conditions for maintaining dangerous dogs and has requested a stay of their destruction pending the outcome of the appeal.
3. Based upon my training and experience, I believe that remaining in the Animal Control Center during that time is not in the best interests of the dogs.
4. The Saint Paul Animal Control Center is intended for short-term confinement of lost, abandoned, or seized animals, not for long-term stays.
5. Dogs kept in long-term confinement at a facility such as Animal Control have no mental or physical stimulation. They urinate and defecate in their living area. They are constantly confined to the same 23 square feet of space. Cleaning techniques are such that their fur is often wet. They are not allowed to express normal canine behaviors, such as scent stimulation, walks, play and chewing.
6. In addition to protecting public safety, St. Paul Animal Control is charged with ensuring animal welfare. Long term confinement is detrimental to dogs. The Humane Society of the United States identifies the following behaviors as common in dogs forced into long term confinement: overall excitability and arousal, frustration, increased dog reactivity, increased difficulty in handling, depression, fear toward people, lunging at kennel doors, elimination problems, and separation anxiety.
7. These behaviors are issues that remain with dogs kept in long term confinement, even if they are eventually released, and can be difficult for dogs to overcome. Ms. Cordry's dogs are already designated as dangerous dogs, compounding the issues.
8. Meesha and Myou have already been confined for over 50 days. Ms. Cordry owes over \$1,000.00 in boarding fees, and the appeal process could last six months or more.

Further your affiant sayeth not.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Molly Lunaris

Subscribed to and sworn before me  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2016.