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Bill Daugaard, President
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This letter is offered to you in support of the continued efforts to improve the readiness of WASART. Your organization provides a vital link in the execution of the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan for the county. They are integral to the execution of our Emergency Support Function #6, Mass Care, Emergency Assistance, Housing and Human Services. With our Memorandum of Agreement, signed September, 2010, the bond between our organizations further enhanced the county's capacity to respond to serious events in our region.

The services of the Washington State Animal Response Team are valued not only during disasters, when you provide for the rescue of large animals and a vital link to the sheltering component, but you continue this effort throughout the year. And these services are utilized by many counties in Washington State when animals are found to be in need from neglect, danger, or abandonment. I know that you provide a unique and comprehensive service, since I read all of the after action reports, which I provide as a model to other emergency worker organizations. I support you in your efforts to acquire the truck and other resources to improve you response capabilities.

I am pleased to stand in support of WASART in it continuing effort to enhance its capabilities.

Yours truly,

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