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Shelters and rescues across the state are largely at capacity and full of wonderful, family-ready pets! When families adopt from rescues and shelters, everyone wins: the animal gets a place to call home, the adopter gains a new family member, the burden on our overcrowded shelter and rescue system is eased, making room for another rescue pet in need.

By passing HCR 8, it sends a message that Oregon values adoption and prioritizes rescue shelter animals. In fact, we were just recently ranked the sixth most pet friendly state in the nation by SafeWise! And, more than half of Oregon households have at least one pet, and many of those families chose to save lives by adopting their pets through our local animal shelters or rescue organizations.

That's why it is time for Oregon to follow in the paw prints of states that have already made the rescue shelter pet Oregon's official state pet!