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## **MAYOR ERIC JACKSON ENCOURAGES TRENTON DOG AND CAT OWNERS TO GET THEIR PETS VACCINATED AGAINST RABIES**

TRENTON, N.J. — Mayor Eric Jackson announced today that the city's Humane Law Enforcement and Animal Services Office will open its Annual Rabies Clinics on the following dates:

- ▶ **January 5, 2015** for small dog and cats weighing under 25 lbs.
- ▶ **January 15, 2015** for large and extra large dogs weighing over 25 lbs.
- ▶ **January 26, 2015** for any dog or cat that was not seen on January 5 and January 15.

Large and X-Large dogs must be on a leash and muzzled, if not socialized. Small dogs and cats must be in a carrier when they are brought to the clinic.

The clinics will be open from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Trenton Animal Shelter located at 72 Escher Street in Trenton. Residents are encouraged to arrive on time to ensure they are seen within the clinic's operating hours. **For more information, call 609-989-3254.**

New Jersey law requires that all dogs must be vaccinated against rabies; cats are optional, but strongly encouraged. The Annual Rabies Clinics are open to Trenton residents only, and residents must provide proof of Trenton residency, which can include any one of the following: A current rabies vaccination record, a current NJDMV Driver's license or state issued identification card, or a passport showing your current city address.

The City of Trenton requires that dogs six months and older be licensed annually. Proof of rabies vaccination must be provided in order to license a pet. Residents can obtain a license the same day at the Vital Statistics Office at City Hall at 319 East State Street.

License fees are \$15.00 for non-altered dogs and \$12.00 for altered dogs. An additional fee is applied if a resident licenses their pet after January 31. Residents will also be subject to a summons if they fail to license their dog by the deadline.

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