PETITION
TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO

WHEREAS research laboratories acquire lost, stray or abandoned dogs and cats from pounds to be used as subjects for experimentation;

WHEREAS these animals were once beloved family members;

WHEREAS the practice referred to as pound release, is formally mandated under the Ontario *Animals for Research Act*;

WHEREAS countries such as Great Britain, Sweden and the Netherlands, 18 states in the United States, entities such as the National Institutes of Health and a number of veterinary and medical schools have stopped the practice of using pound animals for research;

WE the undersigned petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows:

To amend the *Animals for Research Act* to ban the release of lost, stray or abandoned dogs and cats from Ontario pounds for animal experimentation and to ban the import of lost, stray and abandoned pets for experimentation from other jurisdictions.

Name (printed)	**Address (printed with city, province and postal code)**	**Signature (required)**