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The Dumb Friends League owns and operates the Buddy Center in Castle Rock which houses animals for the Town of Castle Rock. The Dumb Friends League is in support of the Town of Castle Rock revising its current animal ordinances as we support breed-neutral, proactive laws that protect the community from dangerous dogs by holding pet owners responsible for the actions of their pets, and for having an understanding of their pets' temperament, traits, and behavior. Legislation aimed at holding the owner of the dog accountable, rather than punishing the dog, has been shown to be far more effective in reducing instances of dog bites and attacks. Comprehensive, well enforced, breed-neutral laws offer an effective and fair solution to the problem of dangerous dogs, and ultimately keep communities safer.

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