

**Ann McConnell**  
**298 N June Street, Alpena MI 49707**

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Deputy Michelle Reid  
Alpena County Animal Control  
Alpena, MI 49707

RE: Letter of support and intent to donate \$15,000 for pet crematorium and \$10,000 to sponsor/name room.

Dear Michelle,

I have been following your dedication to quality animal control for the county of Alpena for many years. You have proven yourself to be resourceful and committed to helping animals and providing a valuable service to our community. This letter is to express my support of repurposing the old Alpena Jail into an animal control sheltering facility. And contingent upon the commissioners approving the jail repurposing, I am pledging to provide \$10,000 to name a room at the new shelter and up to \$15,000 for the purchase and installation of a pet crematorium.

As you know, a pet crematorium is a needed service for the community and with fees set to accommodate lower income pet owners it will fill a need that is currently not offered in Alpena County. Additionally, a crematorium will provide a perpetual source of annual income for the shelter with estimates exceeding \$20,000 per year.

Thank you for your service to the Alpena County animals and I look forward to supporting other future programming that will ensure quality care for animals in need.

Sincerely,



Ann McConnell