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### **Summit County Animal Control to Hold 7th Annual Adopt-A-Thon, \$10 per Animal**

The 7th Annual Summit County Adopt-A-Thon will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Division of Animal Control, located at 250 Opportunity Parkway in downtown Akron. The event is sponsored by Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro and Fiscal Officer Kristen M. Scalise.

Dogs and cats will be made available for adoption for the low price of \$10 per animal (regularly \$94 per dog, \$60 per cat). The animals will be fully vetted (blood work, flea treatments, intestinal de-worming, spay/neuter and vaccinations) and ready to be taken home that day. Citizens who adopt a dog will be required to purchase a Summit County Dog License for \$18.

“Last year’s Adopt-A-Thon was a huge success and a testament to the hard work of the employees at our Animal Control facility,” said County Executive Ilene Shapiro. “I encourage the families of Summit County to come again this year and help us find new homes for all of the animals at the facility.”

In 2015, the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Adopt-A-Thon resulted in every available animal in the facility being adopted, a total of 93 abandoned animals (28 dogs and 65 cats) were placed in new homes. Over the past six years, adopt-a-thons sponsored by the Summit County Division of Animal Control have resulted in 809 animals being placed in new homes.

“The Division of Animal Control does a wonderful job hosting the annual Adopt-a-Thon,” said Fiscal Officer Scalise. “My office will be there again this year to ensure dogs and puppies are registered with the County before they go to their new homes. A County dog tag is their ticket home if they are ever lost, stolen or run away.”

Please feel free to bring dog or cat food for the animals housed at the shelter. For more information contact the Summit County Division of Animal Control at 330-643-2845.

To view photos of adoptable animals visit

<https://co.summitoh.net/index.php/departments/administrative-services/animal-control>, click on ADOPT-A-PET in left column.

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