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LETTER: Cats licensed, sterilized and indoors only

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Dear Editor:

I read with interest the article Cat Shot at Point-Blank Range, July 1. It must have been a slow news day for this story to appear on the front page. Let me present some facts about cats and hopefully you will pass these on to your readers.

Both the Guardian newspaper and Environment Canada have stated that between 100 and 200 million birds are killed by cats in Canada alone each year. "A cat ... wandering around the premises would be killing 10 or 12 birds a night" according to (director of wildlife research for) Environment Canada. I think it is time for cats to be licensed, sterilized and indoors only.

A responsible owner should agree with me on this one. It doesn't make sense that only dogs and not cats require a licence and control.

Furthermore, no one appreciates cat litter or plant destruction in his or her garden.

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