

Anthony Hutcherson for TICA Vice President

Jungletraxcats.com/ticavp

TICA's President will have a trusted partner to deliver high quality service, convey statistics, science and data as well as provide useful tools to the cat owners and breeders of the world. I will work for the success of TICA, its leaders, its members and its registered cats as only someone with a lifelong commitment to a breed, to knowing more about cats and doing better for cats can. My passion manifests as:

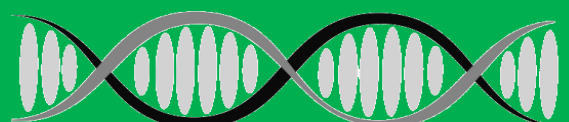
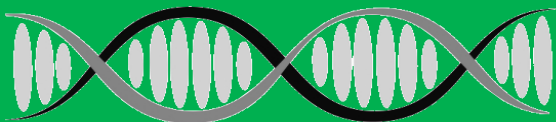


- WINN Feline Foundation Board of Directors, Education & Diversity Committees 2018-2021
- **"Glitter" gene** identified in collaboration with Chris Kaelin, PhD Stanford University & Hudson Alpha Institute, 2017 through participation of more than 800 Bengal Cat breeders worldwide
- Presented leading experts in feline genetics & health to TICA Members directly
- MA Regional Director/TICA Director 2017-2020, most membership & most shows in MA history
- Chair of Bengal Cat Breed section 2009-2020, member since 2001. Breeder & owner only LA OD Bengal and highest scoring Bengal ever. Joined TICA BG section to raise \$15K, sponsoring international feline genetic conference & workshop, 2017 & 2018 with 3 breeder scholarships.
- TICA member since 1995, visited 171 catteries across the US and in 9 countries since 1995
- Author of TICA coloring book "All Kinds of Purrfect", 15+ articles published in TICA Trend
- Created & negotiated agreement with Wisdom Health providing \$35K+ products and discounts directly to TICA members for the most comprehensive commercial feline genetic screening test available. This is a tool to improve genetic heterozygosity and reduce inherited disease prevalence in all participating breeds.

Anthony Hutcherson will offer insights of a devoted cat breeder of twenty-eight+ years to TICA's President, board of directors, staff, and members. The primary activities of loving, cleaning, registering, evaluation, selecting, testing, showing, breeding, placing and educating inherent to successfully breeding cats have been daily activities for almost thirty years. I've learned from the best – Jean Mill, Kay Devilbiss, Linda Jean Grillo, Vicki Jo Harrison, Judy Sugden, Karen Sausman, and Chris Kaelin. I offer that expertise via these efforts:

Create

- A trusted resource for breeders to utilize in learning about cat genetics especially the colors, patterns, traits and mutations related to breeds & breed groups;
- Direct means for TICA Member awareness and collaboration with scientific research benefiting cat health, understanding or discovery
- Recognition & incentives for non-judges acquiring continuing education about feline welfare, health, genetics, breed theory and behavior;
- An ongoing means to inform TICA's elected leaders & members about the scientific (veterinary, genetic, taxonomic), legal and ethical implications of rules, decisions and considerations.



Increase

- Methods and frequency genetically determined colors, patterns, diseases and traits are presented and explained in TICA publications, media and outreach
- Corporate investment and support of TICA activities;
- Materials, such as coloring books, posters and guides for members, clubs and breeders;
- Positive public perception of cats, cat owners, cat breeds & cat enthusiasts;
- Benefits of collaborative relationships with likeminded charitable and scientific organizations

Improve

- Outreach to cat owners about the beauty & value of all cats;
- Beneficial information and means of engagement for breeders who don't show;
- Quality of articles, reference materials and archival information in all of TICA's publications



Should the President agree I would present:

- monthly online meetings for all breed committee chairs & TICA leadership to discuss the issues of breed engagement, support, improvement, evaluation, challenges and celebration
- monthly “member hour” talks to present to, discuss with and respond to members
- quarterly meetings with breed committees to discuss TICA rules, TICA processes, breed standards, breed challenges and celebrate successes

Should the President agree I would enable TICA to host:

- Bi-monthly webinars of specific interest to enthusiasts such as interpreting genetic test results, vaccine protocols, veterinary innovations etc. from leading experts in those fields. These webinars would be stored and available to any TICA member for viewing in perpetuity.
- Quarterly Cat Care webinars for all cat owners in matters of care, health and behavior. These would be available into perpetuity on TICA's website.
- Quarterly “virtual” TICA club meetings for all TICA club members to be aware of all the programs, processes, services and benefits available to TICA clubs

As Vice President Anthony Hutcherson will represent the positive outcomes of a life spent loving cats and devoted to a breed with the dignity TICA deserves and the sincere gratitude TICA has earned.

If elected I will exhibit my own cat in every TICA region over the course of the 3 year term. I will show my cat as “presentation only” so that I might spend as much time learning from you and how TICA can be better for members, clubs and cat owners around the world.

I will also be swabbing cats there to discover new genetic mutations, that's just for fun.