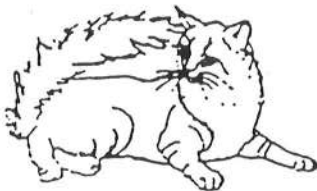




WHY DO I CONFINE THEE?  
LET ME COUNT THE REASONS—



1. Your life is too precious to allow you your freedom to run in front of a speeding, careless, or driver-impaired vehicle.
2. You are too valuable, as a member of our family, to allow a predator to rip you to shreds, or to run the risk of having you mutilated in a cruel trap.
3. Your good health is important to me and I know that there are many kinds of diseases that will harm you and even kill you outdoors.
4. Because I love you enough to neuter you, there is no need for you to wander in search of a mating situation that could cause you harm and make you a nuisance to others.
5. There is no need to go to a tree to exercise your claws and muscles because I have included in my budget a carpeted indoor climbing tree that is all your own.
6. There is no need to hunt for your food because my pay check has included food from the market for you.
7. When you are close to me, I can hear you purr and I know when you are happy.
8. You comfort me and love me on my good days and on my worst days. You are waiting for me whenever I come back from work or shopping and I am peaceful because I know you are safe.
9. We are such good friends that I know when you hurt or need to see the doctor. Next to me, your veterinarian is your best friend.
10. When the end of the day comes and it is time to curl up next to the fire with a good book, there is no need to wonder where you are for you are safe in my lap.



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