Highland Lakes Veterinary Clinic DENTAL REPORT CARD

Date:	Dr	
Patient:	Owner:	
□ NICE JOB! No sign of plaque or tartar		Home dental care is needed to maintain these healthy teeth and gums. Brushing your pet's teeth regularly is ideal. There are also products available to help make home dental care easy and hassle free.
☐ Grade I / Mild Gingivitis:		Margin of attached gum is inflamed and swollen. Plaque covering the teeth. Home dental care needed. Dental cleaning to remove current plaque buildup within next year if no improvement.
☐ Grade II / Moderate Gingivitis		Entire gum is inflamed and swollen. Mouth is painful and odor is noticed. Dental cleaning to remove tartar is needed within the next month. Addition of tartar control diet and home dental care needed afterward for prevention.
☐ Grade III / Severe Gingivitis		Cherry red and bleeding gums. Gum is destroyed by infection and tartar. Sore mouth and bad breath. Odor is evident. Dental cleaning to remove tartar is needed immediately. Addition of tartar control diet and home dental care needed to prevent recurrence.
☐ Grade IV / Periodontal Disease:		Chronic infection is destroying the gum, tooth and bone. Bacteria is spreading through the body via the bloodstream and may damage the kidneys, liver and heart. Dental cleaning to remove tartar is needed immediately. Some teeth may be loose and in need of extraction. Home dental care afterward is necessary for prevention.
COMMENTS:		