



My name is Florence Looi, and I was a lawyer for several years in Malaysia before I turned to journalism. My previous role as a journalist with an international broadcast news organization meant that I travelled extensively, which precluded me from having a dog.

Covid curtailed my international travel, and I finally adopted my first dog, Coco, a ten-year old senior in 2020. I started following dog-related accounts on social media. This opened my eyes to the plight of stray dogs in Malaysia and many countries.

Stray animals don't have a voice. They need human advocates. A large part of easing their suffering lies in ending the cycle of uncontrolled breeding. Which is why the work that F5 does is so vitally important.

Coco is no longer with me. She passed in 2023 but my role in F5 is in honor of her memory.