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SEARCH WARRANT SERVED ON ALLEGED COCKFIGHTING LOCATION

Los Angeles – City of Los Angeles Animal Cruelty Task Force (ACTF) responded to a complaint concerning a possible cockfighting location within the 15100 Block of Lakeside Street in Los Angeles (91342). The officers' preliminary investigation revealed numerous fighting roosters housed at a location.

Today the ACTF served a search warrant at 15172 Lakeside St L.A. 91342. The entry took place without incident. The owner, Genareo Vasquez, age 52, surrendered all the fowl, which were humanely euthanized at the location. Mr. Vasquez was arrested for violating Penal Code Section 597j. (a) Any person who owns, possesses, keeps, or trains any bird... with the intent that it be used or engaged... in an exhibition of fighting.

42 Roosters, 90 Hens, 15 Chicks, and 30 eggs were confiscated.

The ACTF is made up of Los Angeles police officers and detectives, Animal Control Officers from the Department of Animal Services, Deputy City Attorneys from the LA City Attorney's Office and Deputy District Attorneys from the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office. They investigate and prosecute human cruelty against animals.

Reports of animal bloodsport and cruelty can be reported to the ACTF at (213) 847-1417.

For more information or assistance call LA Animal Services at
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(TTY Hearing impaired: 877-875-8205) or visit the website at www.LAAnimalServices.com.

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