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## LA ANIMAL SERVICES ANNOUNCES SPAY DAY LA AND ADOPTION EVENT A HUGE SUCCESS!

Celebrities, government officials, and local and national organizations participated in Spay Day LA on October 25 and 26 with a goal to spay and neuter more than 500 pets and promote reduced rate adoption!

**Los Angeles** – LA Animal Services is announcing the SPAY DAY LA ADOPTATHON was a huge success. The event was the result of a partnership with Social Compassion, YogaFit, Animal Alliance, Coalition for Pets & Public Safety, and FOCAS-LA.

SPAY DAY LA ADOPTATHON was a special event to provide free spay/neuter services to more than 500 cats and dogs from every part of the city. The public/private partnership-sponsored event was in celebration and support of the City's landmark spay/neuter law that became enforceable October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008.

LA Animal Services also held a pet Adoptathon at all six City Animal Care Centers offering more than a 60% savings off regular adoption fees. These low adoption fees included spay/neuter surgery, microchip, vaccinations, and in the case of dogs a license.

The results of the event included 250 pet adoptions and over 500 spay/neuter surgeries. Not all the surgeries could be accomplished over the weekend and are being scheduled over the next week or so.

"It is truly gratifying to see a community come together to help homeless pets find a loving, caring soul to take them in", said Ed Boks, general manager of LA Animal Services. "I cannot thank all our sponsors, volunteers and employees enough for such a successful life-saving event."

The spay/neuter surgeries were done thanks to the participation of many local private veterinarians, the Amanda Foundation, the Sam Simon Foundation, the Clinico Foundation, and the FixNation Foundation. The adoptions were the result of the efforts of an extraordinary group of volunteers and employees. The Department thanks everyone involved in this extraordinary life saving event!