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2nd Chance 4 Pets Participates in the First International Symposium on Veterinary Hospice Care

Los Gatos, CA (April 3, 2008) – 2nd Chance 4 Pets was among the founding exhibitors and participants at the First International Symposium on Veterinary Hospice Care, which was held at the University of California at Davis School of Veterinary Medicine in March. The symposium – the first of its kind– explored a multi-faceted approach to end-of-life animal care. 2nd Chance 4 Pets’ volunteers distributed literature and spoke with attendees about the importance of *lifetime care planning* for pets.

“We are very encouraged by the positive reception we received by professionals at the Symposium to address proper, humane care of animal companions across their entire lifespan,” said Amy Shever, Director of 2nd Chance 4 Pets. “This awareness complements our mission to ensure that every pet will receive love and care, even if they outlive their human caregivers.”

Co-sponsored by the Nikki Hospice Foundation for Pets and the Assisi International Animal Institute, the symposium brought together pioneering animal professionals across several fields and from all over the World. The issues discussed at the Symposium focused on the challenge of providing comprehensive end-of-life care and guiding pet owners through the grief of dying animal companions, using human hospice care as a model.

About 2nd Chance 4 Pets:

The mission of 2nd Chance 4 Pets is to reduce the number of pets unnecessarily euthanized each year due to the death or incapacity of the human companions who care for them. 2nd Chance 4 Pets is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) all-volunteer organization. The organization works nationwide to provide pet owners with comprehensive information and lifetime care solutions for their pets., Please visit www.2ndchance4pets.org for more information