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LA Animal Services Celebrates World Spay Day on February 23

Los Angeles, CA, February 22, 2016 – Councilmember Paul Koretz is joining LA Animal Services and their mobile spay/neuter partners to celebrate February’s National Spay/Neuter Awareness Month and World Spay Day on Main Street, in front of City Hall on Tuesday, February 23. The Lucy Pet Foundation, Amanda Foundation, and Spay4LA who take their low cost mobile services to neighborhoods where they are needed will be there with their state-of-the-art spay/neuter vans. Tours will be available from 9 a.m. until noon to see these amazing vans and find out more about the benefits of spaying and neutering your furry family members!

LA Animal Services will also have some lovable shelter pets available for adoption. All cats and dogs adopted from LA Animal Shelters are spayed or neutered, vaccinated and microchipped.

“We are excited to celebrate World Spay Day and raise awareness about the importance of spay/neuter,” said Brenda Barnette, general manager for LA Animal Services. “By spaying or neutering your pet and encouraging others to do so, you are helping to eliminate unwanted pets births, reduce stray animals and decrease the number of pets crowding our city animal shelters.”
Spaying or neutering your pet not only reduces shelter intake but it may enhance the life of your four-legged best friend:

- Spaying or neutering may reduce the risk of certain cancers and other diseases that can kill your pet or be expensive to treat.
- Spayed/neutered animals usually roam less and stay closer to home. As a result, they are less likely to be lost or hit by cars.
- Spaying or neutering may reduce or eliminate males from marking objects with urine and females will not have heat cycles.
- Spaying or neutering may eliminate undesirable behaviors such as fighting or biting.

Spaying/neutering your companion animal is not only a loving thing to do for your pet, it’s the law in the City of Los Angeles for all cats and dogs to be spayed or neutered after the age of four months.

LA Animal Services offers free spay/neuter services to city residents that receive financial assistance and $30 discount vouchers to all city residents for three dogs and three cats per household.

To find a spay/neuter clinic in your area, visit laanimalservices.com.

Department of Los Angeles Animal Services

LA Animal Services is one of the largest municipal shelter systems in the United States with six shelters serving approximately 60,000 animals annually and responding to 20,000 emergency calls involving an animal or person in danger. LA Animal Services promotes and protects the health, safety and welfare of animals and people.

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