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Dogs Rescued from Korean Meat Trade Soon to be Safe in Marin

Marin Humane Society Joins International Effort to Shine a Light on Cruel Industry and to Find Loving Homes for Dogs in Need

NOVATO, March 19, 2015—The Marin Humane Society (MHS) is welcoming 14 dogs which were rescued from the Korean meat trade in a first-of-its-kind effort between international animal welfare organizations and Northern California shelters. The dogs will soon be available for adoption in to loving Bay Area homes.

The dogs—who lived in horrific conditions before they were rescued— will be brought to MHS on Friday March 20 from the San Francisco SPCA where they were initially housed this past week. After a brief quarantine, they will be medically and behaviorally evaluated, spayed and neutered, and will be available for adoption in the coming weeks.

MHS and three other local shelters were first contacted by Humane Society International (hsi.org) several weeks ago and asked if the shelters would accept these special dogs; 57 in all. MHS and the other shelters are designated as HSI Emergency Placement Partners. The dogs range in size and breed mix and have spent their entire lives in small, filthy, crowded cages exposed to all weathers on the farm, waiting to be brutally killed for their meat.

Because these animals come from such difficult circumstances, they will require a specific type of adopter and home. MHS will be carefully screening potential adopters to make the right matches between dogs and guardians.

Those interested in adopting one of these special dogs are encouraged to fill out an adoption application for review. Applications can be found on the MHS website, MarinHumaneSociety.org. The dogs will not be available for adoption for at least two weeks.

For more information about Humane Society International, visit hsi.org or call Kelly O'Meara, 240-506-6844.

About Marin Humane Society:

The Marin Humane Society offers refuge, rehabilitation, and support services domestic animals and wildlife each year through a myriad of community services, including adoptions, foster care, behavior and training, humane education, pet assistance for people in need, lost-and-found pet services, low-cost clinics, and more. MHS is a local, independent organization and does not receive operating funds from national organizations. In addition to our role as a non-profit, private animal organization, MHS is responsible for upholding county and municipal animal services ordinances through a Joint Powers Agreement contract with the County of Marin.
