



**For Immediate Release:
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Congressional Animal Protection Caucus to Host “Paws for Love” Shelter Animal Day on Capitol Hill

Washington, DC – Today, Representatives John Campbell (R-CA) and Jim Moran (D-VA) will lead the Congressional Animal Protection Caucus in joining with the ASPCA and local animal rescue organizations to host an event entitled “Paws for Love”. This special event on Capitol Hill will feature 50 rescued dogs and cats in need of a permanent, caring home. Attendees will also learn more about the vital services provided by local animal shelters across the country that care for 6-8 million animals each year.

“I’m proud to join with Rep. Moran in sponsoring ‘Paws for Love’ and am looking forward to welcoming so many rescued dogs and cats, as well as the dedicated volunteers and staff that care for them, to Capitol Hill,” said Rep. Campbell. **“Not only will this be a fun and memorable event for all involved, it will be an opportunity for many to adopt these pets and raise support and awareness for the millions of rescued animals that need homes each year.”**

“There is no better time than Valentine’s Day to express our appreciation for the unconditional love that shelter pets bring to our lives,” expressed Rep. Moran. **“Thank you to the ASPCA and all the shelters and rescues here for showcasing the hard work done across the country to help homeless pets find loving homes.”**

The Congressional Animal Protection Caucus (CAPC) is a bipartisan organization committed to

raising awareness of animal welfare issues in Congress through non-partisan forums and briefings. CAPC also tracks the progress of relevant legislation, provides members of Congress with dependable information, and attempts to build broad coalitions in support of common-sense, humane animal welfare laws.

Event Details:

What:

“Paws for Love” Shelter Animal Day on Capitol Hill

Who:

Congressman John Campbell (R-CA), co-chair, CAPC

Congressman Jim Moran (D-VA), co-chair, CAPC

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA)

11 regional animal shelters and rescue organizations

When:

Today, Thursday, February 14, 2013

12 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Where:

Cannon Caucus Room

Cannon House Office Building

Washington, DC, 20515

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