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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **“\$1 Today Keeps the Kittens at Bay” RPO Alliance Celebrates Spay Day USA with \$1 Surgeries for Cats**

**(SANTA BARBARA, Calif.)** -- In honor of Spay Day USA, Santa Barbara County cat owners are being offered \$1 spays or neuters for their unaltered cats. This February, the Responsible Pet Ownership Alliance is holding, “**\$1 today keeps the Kittens at bay,**” where owners can get their feline friend(s) spayed or neutered for only \$1 with a free rabies vaccination.

Cats are very efficient breeders and one unaltered cat can contribute up to 500,000 kittens over its lifespan. By spaying or neutering cats or kittens, you can prevent the birth of unwanted litters and decrease cat populations in local neighborhoods and animal shelters. Don't miss the chance to get your “**\$1 Today Keeps the Kittens at Bay**” appointment today! The first 200 cats and kittens signed up for an appointment will receive a spay or neuter surgery and a rabies vaccine all for the bargain price of \$1. Other treatments are provided at an additional cost. Santa Barbara County cat owners should call one of the following organizations to schedule an appointment:

- SB County Animal Services, Santa Maria Animal Center, at 805.934.6968
- Santa Maria Valley Humane Society, at 805.349.3435
- Santa Ynez Valley Humane Society, at 805.688.8224
- Santa Barbara Humane Society, at 805.964.4777
- C.A.R.E. 4Paws, at 968.2273
- VIVA, at 805.735.6741

The Responsible Pet Ownership Alliance, is a collaboration between Santa Barbara County Animal Services, Santa Maria Valley Humane Society, Santa Ynez Valley Humane Society, Santa Barbara Humane Society, C.A.R.E. 4Paws, VIVA, and the Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation, and works to help Santa Barbara County pet owners be responsible by ensuring affordable spay/neuter services are available countywide.