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DESPURRATE HOUSECATS NOW PLAYING AT ARF *Doesn't get any "Cattier" at Animal Rescue Foundation*

WALNUT CREEK, CALIFORNIA (August 23, 2005) – Cats love company although they don't always seek the drama of Wisteria Lane, the street made famous on the new hit television show, "Desperate Housewives".

Susan, a beautiful 18-month-old girl wants a home to call her own. Whenever someone passes this calico cat's condo at Tony La Russa's Animal Rescue Foundation (ARF), she presses her paw against the glass, as if to say "Hi handsome!"

Mike is a handsome 3-month-old boy kitten who welcomes a warm comfortable lap on which to curl up for an afternoon nap. Even when this tuxedoed male is alone, he keeps himself amused watching the other felines.

"In January of this year, there were 86 cats at ARF", says Brenda F. Barnette, ARF's Chief Executive Officer, "by late this summer, the peak breeding season for cats, ARF's cat population has grown to 130 furry felines".

Bree, Carlos, Edie, Gabrielle, Lynette, Mike, Susan and Tom are just a few of the cats and kittens seeking new loving homes at ARF. When planning on adding a new feline friend to your family, please consider ARF. It would be very difficult not to find the purr-fect fit for your family from one of the fabulous felines now available at ARF.

The adoption fee for one cat is \$125. Adoption costs include spaying or neutering, vaccines, worming, a feline leukemia check and a microchip. As a special incentive for adopting two cats, ARF is offering a discounted rate of 50% for the second cat. By adopting two ARF kitties, adopters can go home with the comfort of knowing their new felines will always have a friend with which to play, while their humans are away at work.

All cat adopters will also be entered into a contest to win the First Prize of a year's worth of complimentary veterinary care from ARF's clinic and receive a complimentary 2006 ARF Celebrity Pet Calendar, featuring two of the stars of the hit television show. This spectacular and limited offer is available to all ARF cat adopters Thursday, August 25 through Sunday, September 25 – the 2005 season premiere of "Desperate Housewives"!

ARF saves the lives of loving dogs and cats who have run out of time at public shelters. ARF gives another chance at life to dogs and cats who otherwise would have been killed. ARF provides the care and attention they need, including spay or neuter surgery, until ARF finds them a new home of their own.

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