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Pet Paradise Provides Safe Haven for Abused Women's Pets

(Sanford, FL) – Pet Paradise Resort, a Jacksonville FL based upscale pet boarding & daycare company, has teamed up with [SafeHouse of Seminole County](#) to provide free temporary boarding services to family pets affected by domestic violence situations. Often times, women affected by domestic violence do not leave their abuser for fear of retaliation on their beloved companion animals. This partnership is a way to provide a safe haven not only for them, but for their pets as well.

According to national statistics, upwards of 50 percent of domestic violence victims postpone leaving a violent home due to fear of what will become of their pets. “Our crisis line receives calls all the time from victims who are living in fear and want to leave, but are more afraid of what will happen to their pets if they can’t come with them” said Jeanne Gold, Executive Director of SafeHouse of Seminole. “This exciting partnership with Pet Paradise gives victims the opportunity to leave an abusive home and leave no one, including their dearly loved dogs and cats, behind.”

“We are thrilled to provide this service to SafeHouse of Seminole County,” explains Fred Goldsmith, CEO for Pet Paradise Resort. “We hope this partnership will allow victims in these violent situations to seek the help they need, knowing that their four legged family member will be taken care of. Our mission has always been to provide peace of mind to our customers and this is just another extension of doing this.”

Pet boarding arrangements for pre-approved victims of domestic violence are made exclusively between SafeHouse of Seminole and Pet Paradise. If you are a victim of domestic violence and need more information about temporary boarding services, please call the hotline at 407-330-3933.

About Pet Paradise Resort:

Headquartered in [Jacksonville, Fla.](#) with more than 200 employees, Pet Paradise was formed in 2002 and currently has 13 facilities in operation of which nine are located throughout [Florida](#); two are in [Houston](#), and one each in [New Orleans](#) and [Charlotte](#). The Pet Paradise facilities include spacious dog and cat boarding suites as well as day care and grooming services.

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About SafeHouse of Seminole

SafeHouse of Seminole is the only certified domestic violence prevention/intervention agency operating in Seminole County. In addition to safe, confidential emergency shelter services, SafeHouse provides crisis intervention, violence prevention awareness, crisis counseling to adults and children, child assessments and counseling, individual and group advocacy, court advocacy, support groups, legal referrals, education and employment assistance, assistance with transitional housing, and early education prevention programs in elementary, middle and high schools, including the education of boys and girls to establish violence-free relationships. SafeHouse of Seminole's objectives are: to prevent domestic violence; to protect victims; and to promote positive changes in the lives of families and communities to end domestic violence. SafeHouse Crisis Hotline numbers: 407-330-3933; 1-800-500-1119.