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Dear Supporter:

First and foremost, Friends for Animals thanks you for your continued involvement with our animal rescue efforts throughout the year. Your support has enabled us to save 1087 dogs and cats from Animal Control, and so for this year we have adopted out 867 cats and dogs. Without a doubt, if it were not for people such as you, we would not have accomplished this life-saving task.

It has been a growing year for us. We have been very involved with increasing public awareness of our agency and the ongoing need for public spay/neuter, continued efforts to secure the necessary funds to support our mission, and establishing much-needed policies and procedures. You can visit our website at any time to get updated information on what we have been involved with as well as future events. We are always looking for new volunteers and foster homes for our animals. Please contact us if you are willing to help us in this manner.

We have seen an impact in our community during these difficult financial times. Our adoption rates are down, our fundraisers have raised less money, and the numbers of animals taken in by Animal Control have continued to rise. It is times like these that supporters such as you are even more important. Without the support of those who care about the animals, we would be faced with little resources for those who are abandoned or unwanted. We advocate for these animals, and know you do as well. Our ultimate mission is to find a loving home for any animal who has no place, and to continue our work towards a no-kill community.

We are currently undertaking our very first Home Raffle. For only \$100, you have the chance to win a beautiful dream home right here in Burke County. We have enclosed an entry form for your convenience. You can visit our website for a list of the rules and regulations, pictures of the house, and additional information. Please remember the animals with a financial gift, or by purchasing a raffle ticket. Ticket purchases are not considered tax deductible; however, as always donations are. Money raised from the raffle will enable us to keep our doors open and continue or fight against homelessness for the animals.

Thank you for caring for the animals, and for supporting our mission.