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### **10th ANNUAL SPCA HOLIDAY SUPPORT DRIVE BY DA'S OFFICE KICKS OFF DECEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>**

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Nov. 30, 2016) — Dogs, cats and other animals waiting for their forever homes at the Montgomery County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) are in need of a helping hand, too, this holiday season, and the District Attorney's Office is ready with its 10th Annual SPCA Support Drive, running Dec. 1, 2016 through Jan. 3, 2017.

Animal toys, canned dog and cat food, animal blankets, towels and other items are being collected at three boxes in the Montgomery County Courthouse and one at the entrance to One Montgomery Plaza. The Courthouse collection boxes are located by security checkpoints at the Main Street and Swede Street entrances as well as at the 4th Floor District Attorney's Office.

The SPCA drive is being spearheaded by Assistant District Attorneys Lindsay O'Brien and Lauren Marvel, who in addition to their duties as Domestic Violence Unit Captain and Juvenile Division attorney, respectively, also handle animal cruelty cases for the DA's Office. "We stand up for abused and neglected animals in court and fight for their humane treatment. We try to assure that all animals are treated with kindness according to the law," said O'Brien. "As winter is fast approaching, we also want to remind people to bring in their animals from the cold and make sure they have fresh water that isn't iced over when they are outside."

To report suspected cases of animal cruelty, Montgomery County residents should contact their local police department or the Montgomery County SPCA at 610-825-0111.

All items collected through the SPCA Support Drive will be donated to the Montgomery County SPCA.

Approved for release:

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