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Reward increases to help find the perpetrator who set crate on fire, killing dog

Sacramento, CA (January 23, 2015) — The Sacramento SPCA has partnered with the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, the County of Sacramento, the Humane Society of the United States (Washington DC), the Animal Legal Defense Fund (Cotati, CA), and six private donors from around the country to provide a \$13,500 reward to anyone who has information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person who did the arson. Previously, the reward was set at \$8,000.

“It’s important that we catch the individual or individuals who committed this crime,” explains Rick Johnson, CEO of the Sacramento SPCA. “The severity of this crime is alarming. The potential for it to lead to other animals or people being harmed is too great — and the animal-loving community has expressed the same concern by contributing to what is now a significant reward.”

Anyone with information regarding the crime is asked to call Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District’s Arson Tipline at (916) 859-3775.

“Too often perpetrators of animal abuse go unprosecuted because of lack of leads and information. We appreciate any information the public can offer to help us catch the person or persons who did this,” said Dave Dickinson, Director of County Animal Care and Regulation.

Anyone interested in pledging financial support for the reward can call the Sacramento SPCA at (916) 504-2828. The Sacramento SPCA expects the reward to continue to increase.

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