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For release on or after October 1, 2025:

Erik Mendes, IT Administrator for Petrusha Law, nominated Humboldt County Animal Shelter to receive this month's \$1,000 donation, as part of the firm's "10 Years, \$10,000 Thanks" campaign, celebrating a decade in business by giving back to the community.

Erik stated: "I selected the Shelter because of the vital work they do in caring for lost, stray, and abandoned pets while giving them a second chance at finding loving homes. Their adoptable cats and dogs are well cared for, and adoption is affordable for families. Our family has adopted two pets from the shelter and seen firsthand the dedication of the staff. Supporting this cause helps ensure more animals in our community get the opportunity to thrive in safe, permanent homes."

Operated by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office, the Humboldt County Animal Shelter provides compassionate care for stray, abandoned, and neglected pets in our community. Located in McKinleyville, the Shelter offers a wide range of services, including emergency medical treatment, rehabilitation, lost-and-found assistance, and pet adoptions. All adopted dogs and cats are spayed or neutered before going to their new homes. A dedicated team of volunteers supports daily operations, caring for the animals and helping connect pets with families through active outreach on Facebook and Instagram.

Founding Attorney Angela Petrusha added, "This donation honors the Shelter's commitment to protecting animals and strengthening the bond between pets and families."

To support the Shelter, you can volunteer to assist with animal care, dog walking, kennel cleaning, and more. Call (707) 840-9132 for details. Contributions to the Shelter's Emergency Medical Fund directly support animals requiring advanced medical care. Donations may be sent to: Friends for Life Emergency Medical Fund, P.O. Box 962, Eureka, CA 95502. The Emergency Medical Fund is managed by Friends for Life Animal Rescue, a local nonprofit organization.



From left: Andre Hale, Facilities Manager for Humboldt County Animal Shelter, with Erik Mendes and Angela Petrusha of Petrusha Law.