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New Vice-President Joins The San Francisco SPCA

San Francisco, February 6, 2008: Ms. Dori Villalon has joined The San Francisco SPCA as Vice President. A nationally recognized animal welfare professional and frequent conference presenter, Villalon holds a Bachelors Degree in Animal Welfare Management from Sonoma State University. Formerly Director of Animal Care & Control for the County of Sonoma, Villalon is credited with upgrading veterinary care and improving animal care standards at that agency. She has also served as CEO of the Cleveland Animal Protective League and Larimer Humane Society in Fort Collins, CO. “We are delighted to have Dori on board,” SF/SPCA President Jan McHugh-Smith said today. “She brings nearly 20 years of shelter operations experience to our agency, and I am confident that she will be a valued member of The SF/SPCA team.” Villalon joins The SF/SPCA as it prepares to celebrate its 140th anniversary on April 18, 2008.

Villalon will be managing several SF/SPCA Programs including Hearing Dog, Animal Assisted Therapy, Adoptions, the Academy for Dog Trainers, Operations, Volunteer Services, Humane Education and Information Technology. In addition she will oversee Disaster Preparedness and Safety. “I am so excited to be a part of this outstanding organization,” Villalon says. “The SF/SPCA is the gold standard in the field of animal welfare and it is an honor to work here.”

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About The San Francisco SPCA

The San Francisco SPCA is a private, independent, nonprofit animal welfare organization dedicated to saving and protecting homeless dogs and cats, to providing them with care and treatment, advocating for animal welfare, and enhancing the human-animal bond. Founded in 1868, The SF/SPCA is a national leader in saving the lives of companion animals through its pioneering programs. For more information visit www.sfspca.org.