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## Peninsula Humane Society Aiding Wildlife Victims of North Bay fires

**Burlingame, CA**—The Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA (PHS/SPCA) is currently caring for a dozen wild birds in their Wildlife Center recently evacuated from International Bird Rescue in Fairfield due to encroaching wildfires in the North Bay.

"The wildfires throughout Northern California have had a devastating impact on wildlife," said PHS/SPCA Communications Manager Buffy Martin Tarbox. "We are doing what we can to help mitigate the impacts, including providing shelter and care for these injured wild birds."

The birds transferred from International Bird Rescue to PHS/SPCA include seven Canada Geese, two Mallards, one Green Heron, one Black Crowned Night Heron and one Snowy Egret. All the birds will continue to receive top notch care and treatment from the PHS/SPCA Wildlife Center staff and volunteers until they can be successfully rehabilitated and returned to the wild.

"Our hearts are heavy with the immense loss of life, both human and animal due to these fires," according to Tarbox. "Along with taking in these wild birds, we have also organized a pet supply drive and will deliver the donated supplies to four North Bay shelters over the weekend."

PHS/SPCA's Wildlife Center successfully rehabilitates 1,200 to 1,400 animals each year and is funded entirely by donations.

Photo attached of a Canada Goose and a Black Crowned Night Heron transferred to PHS/SPCA from International Bird Rescue.

## **About Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA**

Peninsula Humane Society is a private, open-door, not-for-profit animal welfare organization. Primary programs include animal adoptions; animal rescue and sheltering, including specialty care for domestic animals with medical and/or behavioral challenges; wildlife rehabilitation; animal cruelty investigation; community outreach and education; low-cost spay/neuter; and obedience classes. This vital work is made possible by volunteers and donations. PHS receives no funding from national animal welfare organizations. Visit <a href="www.phs-spca.org">www.phs-spca.org</a> to learn about all PHS' programs and services, ways to help the animals and special events.



