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THE RHODE ISLAND SPCA HOLDS GRAND OPENING & RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY WITH HUNDREDS OF SUPPORTERS

[Warwick, Rhode Island, September 14, 2023] — The weather could not have been more perfect for the Rhode Island SPCA's Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony that took place yesterday afternoon. President Wayne Kezirian addressed a crowd of hundreds of RISPCA supporters and spoke of his fondness for Warwick, our new home — a city that welcomed us with open arms.

We would like to thank Mayor Frank Picozzi, Representative Joseph Solomon Jr., Speaker Joe Shekarchi, Senator Matthew LaMountain, and all of our friends, family members, and donors who joined us last evening! We are grateful for their support and confidence in all that we do to protect and care for the animals and their humans in our community!

We are open daily from 10am to 4pm in Warwick at 155 Plan Way. All of our shelter operations – adoptions, animal health center, humane education, animal cruelty law enforcement, pet food pantry, and volunteer program – are now under one roof and we welcome everyone to come visit and see why we are "not just a shelter"!

Our East Providence facility is now closed to the public. Any and all donations should be sent to our new address – 155 Plan Way, Warwick, RI 02886.

About the Rhode Island SPCA: Founded in 1870, the Rhode Island SPCA is not only the oldest humane organization in the state of Rhode Island but the third oldest in the United States. As a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, we do not receive any local, state or federal funding nor are we affiliated with any national humane organization. We rely solely on donations from individuals, businesses and foundations.