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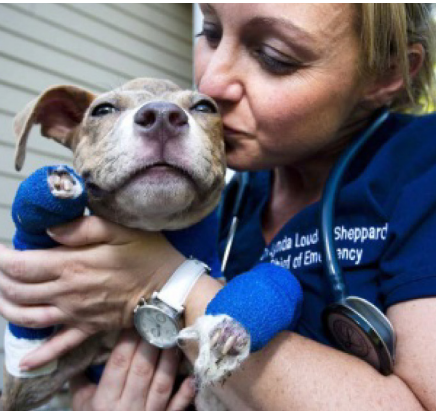
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Lynda Loudon, DVM
Founder/President

Dear Animal Lover,

My name is Lynda Loudon and I am the Founder and President of Healing Haven Animal Foundation. I am also an emergency and critical care veterinarian from Long Island, New York.

As a veterinarian, I know how expensive emergency veterinary care can be. I have seen tears shed by loving owners as they are forced to say good-bye to their beloved pets because they do not have the finances for life-saving treatment. I have also seen strays in need of care that were euthanized simply because they did not have someone to pay for their care. I have treated puppies abused and abandoned by their owners and left to die. I could no longer bear to see animals not receive the care they need and that is why I founded Healing Haven in 2012.

Helping injured and sick animals not only saves the animals in need, it saves the people who love them. I have seen many situations where these pets provide emotional support to their owners who suffer from PTSD or other emotional challenges. There have also been many situations where these pets are the only companions people have in their lives, especially the elderly. Ending these valuable pet lives due to the owner's lack of finances is unacceptable. As a community we must ensure this this never happens.

In the last five years, Healing Haven has saved hundreds of animals all over the country that would have otherwise been euthanized due to cost of treatment. My wish is that together we can save thousands this year. Let us give every animal the chance it deserves, so no owner will ever lose their pet due to financial reasons.

Throughout my career I have been known for saving animals whose recoveries have been described as miraculous such as Joey the pitbull who was featured on all of the national news channels. The fact is, I just gave them the chance to fight for their lives. I didn't give up on them.

Please join us on our journey to help as many people and animals as possible this year by giving pets the life-saving care they need and deserve.

With Much Love and Gratitude,

Lynda Loudon, DVM



The Incredible Hulk

IMAGINE... A FRAIL, HELPLESS PUPPY NOT ABLE TO BREATHE. THAT'S HOW IT WAS THE DAY HULK'S ORIGINAL OWNER BROUGHT HIM INTO AN EMERGENCY CLINIC. THE OWNER SAID TO THE RECEPTIONIST, "I DON'T WANT THIS PUPPY. HE IS TOO MUCH TROUBLE!"

How could anyone abandon Hulk just because he couldn't breathe?

His frail chest heaved quickly in and out as he struggled to breathe. And with each attempt, he let out a small screech as his lungs struggled for air.

If the puppy didn't receive help right away he'd die. He was placed on oxygen to stabilize his breathing. When he became a bit more stable he was given an x-ray and the results were shocking: he had a diaphragmatic hernia. Simply put, his entire intestinal tract was sitting in his chest. No wonder he couldn't breathe!

Although he appeared to be close to death, Healing Haven believed that this adorable little

puppy deserved a chance at life, and provided the surgery that could potentially save his life.

The good news? In spite of the odds, Hulk not only survived, he made a full recovery!

After several days of supportive care and pain management he was ready to go to a new home. One of the nurses at the hospital had fallen in love with him and knew he'd make the perfect companion for her young son. Her little boy named the puppy Hulk, after his favorite superhero.

Today, Hulk is healthy, happy and loved — thanks to Healing Haven!

Although Hulk's story has a happy ending, that is not always the case for the many dogs



and cats in need of urgent life-saving medical care. Many of these animals are denied a chance at life, just because of a health issue that is often curable with the right treatment and resources.

Like the nurse and her little boy, and others who adopt these loving pets, we invite you to help us turn a death sentence into a new chance at life.

Won't you join our team of kind, caring, generous people who are champions for the lives of pets in need?

Pictured on the left:

Hulk and Tommy, new best friends at the time of Hulk's adoption.

No pet should ever be abandoned or put down because of lack of money.

No individual or family should ever know the pain of having to choose between euthanizing their dog or cat, or the cost of life-saving medical treatment.

Thanks to Healing Haven and animal lovers like you, these sweet innocent pets and their loving families can continue to enjoy their life together.





We Need Your Help!

We depend on donations like yours to provide life-saving veterinary care to animals in need all across the United States.

Too often animals that could be saved are not, due to their owners' lack of finances. Everyday thousands of injured or sick animals are euthanized because a family cannot afford the medical costs.

Your support helps us save lives everyday. Become a part of our Healing Haven Family. **Please Donate Today!**

Can a Sick Animal Count on You?

Healing Haven is the last chance for animals. So I'm sending my tax-deductible gift to make sure every pet has a chance to lead a healthy, happy life in the arms of loving, caring people. I know my support will help provide emergency care and love for animals who are in dire need of life-saving medical attention. **Please accept my lifesaving gift in the amount of:**

We hope you'll rush your gift of \$36⁵⁰ (just 10 cents a day for a year) helps us provide urgent care for sick animals.

A donation of \$91²⁵ (just 25 cents a day for a year) supplies life-saving antibiotics for animals in need!

A contribution of \$182⁵⁰ (just 50 cents a day for a year) pays for x-rays and lab tests for a sick animal.

A benefactor gift of \$365 (just a dollar a day) covers the cost of x-rays, lab tests and anesthesia for a family pet in surgery.

My heart breaks for these animals, but I'm so thankful Healing Haven is there for them. No family pet should ever be abandoned or put down because of lack of money. I'm sending my tax-deductible gift to make sure every sick animal in need has a chance at life.

3 Ways to Donate



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About HHAF

We strongly believe that lack of finances should not determine an animal's destiny. We believe every animal deserves a chance.

In 2012, Dr. Lynda Loudon Sheppard founded the 501 (c)(3) non-profit Healing Haven Animal Fund, now Healing Haven Animal Foundation (HHAF).

As an emergency veterinarian for over 13 years, Dr. Loudon has seen finances dictate the outcome for animals way



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too often. She started this organization to ensure that animals do not die due to their owners' lack of finances.

Dr. Loudon and the Board of Directors of Healing Haven Animal Foundation are passionate about helping animals and the people who love them.

Healing Haven is committed to improving the health and welfare of animals by funding urgent veterinary care, providing animal education, and offering community outreach programs.

Saki...Banzai

At the age of 12, Saki the Shih Tzu, developed a life threatening medical condition called pyometra – an infection of the uterus that can occur in unspayed females. When Saki was brought to the veterinarian she was in critical condition. **Her owners wanted to do everything to save her, however the high cost of treatment was more than they could afford.**

They were going to have to make the painful decision to put her to sleep. That's when Healing Haven stepped in. Saki's family paid as much as they could and Healing Haven paid the rest. Saki was immediately put on IV fluids, IV antibiotics and pain medications. Once she was as stable as possible, she went directly to surgery to have her infected uterus removed. Saki is now back at home playing with the children that love her. Saki's story is the perfect example of why Dr. Loudon founded Healing Haven. Saki had a serious illness that was treatable

and the decision to end her life too early did not have to be made. Saki is why Healing Haven is giving the gift of life to pets and the people who love them.



CASE FILE: 00457266

Logan...the Determined

A woman walking in her neighborhood heard a faint cry, and knew an animal was in trouble. With the help of a friend she searched the area for an animal



in distress. Soon they found the source of the sound – a cat lying at the base of a tree. He was emaciated, nearly frozen and too weak to lift his head. They brought him to the emergency hospital where euthanasia was considered to relieve his suffering. However, it was decided that since he had fought so hard to live he deserved a fighting chance to heal. **Healing Haven paid a large part of his medical bill and the woman who found him donated what she could.** As a result, this little guy got a second chance at life. He was treated with aggressive fluid therapy, antibiotics and given proper nutrition. Within 24 hours he was alert, eating and hungry for affection. The woman who first heard his cry for help adopted the sweet kitty and Logan is proof that caring makes a difference.

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CASE FILE: 00457312

Frankie the Fabulous

Gasping for air and close to death, Frankie, a gorgeous 8-week-old husky with piercing blue eyes was brought to the veterinary hospital in severe respiratory distress. **His owner/breeder was not willing to pay for his treatment and much-needed care.** Healing Haven was contacted and funded the diagnostics necessary to find the cause of Frankie's severe symptoms. It was found that he suffered from congenital laryngeal paralysis. Frankie received the urgent care needed to stabilize his condition. Surgery was performed to repair the condition and Frankie found his forever home with one of Healing Haven's employees!



Dr. Loudon's Pet

Holiday Hazards!

Holiday Food

High-fat and rich and spicy foods can lead to pancreatitis. Chocolate is toxic to both dogs and cats. Xylitol, a sugar substitute, if ingested by pets could cause vomiting, hypoglycemia, seizures and liver failure.

Holiday Plants

Mistletoe and holly both can cause intestinal upset including vomiting and diarrhea, excessive salivation, and abdominal pain. Mistletoe can lead to seizures and death if a large amount is ingested.

Lilies can be severely toxic to cats, causing gastrointestinal issues and kidney failure.

Amaryllis is also severely toxic to both dogs and cats.

Liquid potpourri can be corrosive to the tongue and gums, cause difficulty breathing and liver damage.

Holiday Ornaments

Ornaments with sharp edges and glass can cause lacerations and perforations when pets try to chew them. If ingested, they can cause intestinal obstructions.

Electrical cords can pose a problem for curious puppies and kittens. They may lick or chew cords and outlets, that could result in electrical burns and lung damage.

Tinsel can be very hazardous for cats. They love to play with it but if ingested can cause intestinal obstruction.

CASE FILE: 00457367

Suzie the Cutie

Found wandering along the side of a road and dragging her hind limbs, this scruffy pup was brought to an emergency clinic. The doctor initially considered euthanizing her due to her severe condition, but changed his mind and decided to reevaluate her the next day. In the morning, **Healing Haven Animal Foundation took responsibility for this little girl and named her Suzie.** She needed immediate surgery for her back injury to avoid permanent paralysis. A specialist was called in and she received the complicated care that she needed. She recovered surprisingly well and is running around with her happy tail always wagging, offering kisses to everyone. A wonderful family adopted her and their little boy has become her best friend. Her vivacious spirit brings joy to their lives every day and she now knows the joy of being part of a loving family.



Mighty Max

It is shocking that anyone could turn their back on this loving 10-month-old poodle mix. He was brought to an emergency hospital, suffering from severe wounds along the entire length of his back. It was learned that he had spent the first 10 months of his life in someone's backyard, where he developed wounds on his back. They were so bad that he developed an intense maggot infestation. **His owners were unable to pay his medical bills and incapable of providing appropriate home care for Max.** Fortunately they decided to release Max to HHAF. In the caring hands of HHAF, Max received the care he needed for his severe wounds and dehydration. His coat was groomed, his wounds were treated daily for two weeks and his dehydration was corrected with IV fluids. And the best news – he has just been adopted!



CASE FILE: 00457388

Timmy's Tale

Timmy was presented to an animal hospital for severe symptoms associated with vestibular syndrome. He was unable to walk and was in terrible shape when he arrived. His owner approved the care necessary to treat his symptoms. Timmy responded to treatment and his symptoms slowly improved. **His owner unfortunately returned days later to euthanize him, because he was too distraught to handle Timmy's slow recovery, and feared a relapse.** Healing Haven stepped in to give him a second chance. The owner was very grateful and signed him over to our organization. Timmy has since fully recovered and we can now see his beautiful personality.



CASE FILE: 00457423

Valerie...We Love You

While enjoying a beautiful day with her family, Valerie suddenly lost the use of her back legs and became paralyzed. The sweet four-year-old French bulldog was suffering from intervertebral disc disease and needed immediate surgery to relieve her intense pain and give her a chance to walk again. **Her owners loved her so much and wanted to give her every possible chance at survival. Sadly, the family couldn't afford the estimated \$8,000 for her treatment.** Their only option was humane euthanasia – until Healing Haven stepped in to help. Thanks to animal-loving people like you, Valerie was able to get the emergency surgery she needed. Today she is walking again and receives physical therapy to help her on her road to complete recovery.

