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**CAT DEPOT
AIDS IN RESCUE IN ST. LUCIE COUNTY**

Sarasota, Florida – (May 16, 2011) – Cat Depot assisted the Florida State Disaster Animal Response Team with the rescue of six cats at the Sanctuary Animal Refuge in western St. Lucie County. Officials were called to the refuge at 9550 Carlton Road after receiving reports about the welfare of 120 dogs and cats.

The Disaster Animal Response Team is a statewide organization that provides emergency and supportive care to animals in a disaster situation. St. Lucie County Animal Control and officials from the state Department of Agricultural and Consumer Services are assisting with the investigation.

“As a participant in state disaster response and rescues, Cat Depot saved six cats that are now under observation and medical care,” says Shelley Thayer, Executive Director. “The cats will soon be available for adoption to loving homes.”

Currently Cat Depot has a full house with 140 cats and an additional 60 kittens in foster homes waiting to come in. Used and new beds are greatly needed for all the cats and kittens that are arriving daily.

Cat Depot, a rescue, adoption, education and resource center is dedicated to helping abandoned, homeless and injured cats and kittens with medical care, food and love. A leader in feline health care and mental well-being, Cat Depot houses over 100 cats and kittens on any day. Cat Depot has changed the destiny of thousands of formerly homeless felines, currently living joyful lives because of donations and support by members and volunteers.

If you would like to donate, volunteer or become a member and support Cat Depot's mission of saving lives, please visit their website at www.catdepot.org or call 366-2404. Cat Depot is located at 2542 17th Street, Sarasota FL, 34234. To better serve the public, Cat Depot is open 7 days a week, M-F, 11am to 7pm, S-S, 11am to 5pm.

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