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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### HURRICANE SEASON NOTICE: PET SHELTER REGISTRATION BEGINS MAY 1

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(Naples, FL) – The 2010 Hurricane Season is approaching and it is time for pet owners to reregister their pets for the Collier County Emergency Pet Shelter. Pets must be reregistered from last year in order to qualify for sheltering, and new pets are also welcome to register.

Hurricane season officially begins June 1, however the emergency shelter could be activated for any disaster, not just hurricanes, and pets must be pre-registered. Registration for the Emergency Pet Shelter begins May 1. ***Pets must be registered every year; registrations are not automatically renewed.***

#### Emergency Pet Shelter Information

**The Collier County Emergency Pet Shelter is located at North Collier Regional Park located at 15000 Livingston Rd. in cases of emergency.** The shelter is an adjacency shelter, which means pet owners and pets will be sheltered separately within the park and pets cannot be dropped off.

The Bureau of Emergency Services (BES) determines if the shelter should be activated based on mandatory evacuations and storm surge vulnerability. Pre-registered pet owners will be notified by an automated call system once the shelter opens if they are located in a mandatory evacuation zone or live in manufactured housing. The shelter holds 75 pets, cats and dogs only.

Owners are required to provide care for their pets prior to and post storm. DAS staff and trained volunteers are, however, available to feed and care for the pets during the storm. While DAS will have emergency supplies on hand, owners are reminded that it is their responsibility to provide crates, food, medications, supplies and water for their pets.

Registrations will be suspended if there is a Tropical Storm and/or Hurricane Watch issued for Collier County.

Pets in the shelter **MUST HAVE UP-TO-DATE vaccinations** with a printed copy of the vaccinations available for inspection. Hurricane season runs from June 1 to Nov 30 and if the public has questions they may call DAS at (239) 252-PETS (7387).

Visit <http://www.colliergov.net/Index.aspx?page=1877> to register your pet(s).