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Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland Appoints Seasoned Non-Profit Leader as Executive Director

Westbrook, Maine—March 2, 2010—After conducting an extensive search, the Board of Directors of the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland (ARL) is pleased to announce the appointment of Patricia A. “Patsy” Murphy as Executive Director effective March 1, 2010. Patsy will oversee all aspects of the League’s programs including development, community relations and shelter operations.

Ms. Murphy brings more than 25 years of experience in organizational development and leadership, including non-profit management at the senior executive level, most recently as Executive Director of the Eastern Maine AIDS Network in Bangor, Maine.

Jay Milligan, President of the ARL’s Board of Directors, said that Ms. Murphy is well positioned to create robust partnerships with government, allied agencies and stakeholders to further the mission of the organization.

“Patsy is experienced in developing and implementing community-based services and programs in consultation with key partners,” said Milligan. “She will be an asset as we increase awareness of our services and seek the funding to maintain and expand the care we provide to animals in need.”

Ms. Murphy received her Bachelor of Science degree in Organizational Leadership from the University of New England in 2001, a Juris Doctor degree from Cooley Law School in Lansing, Michigan in 2003, and is a member of the Maine State Bar.

About the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland

ARL has been serving greater Portland communities since 1911, helping more than 4,000 animals annually. Our mission is to provide temporary care and shelter for stray, abandoned and relinquished animals, and to place as many as possible into responsible and caring homes. The Animal Refuge League also works to create awareness and support for the humane treatment of all animals and to end animal overpopulation through education and the promotion of spaying and neutering. To learn more visit www.arlgp.org.