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Cat Waiting Almost Three Years at Shelter Has Finally Been Adopted

Burlingame, CA—A thirteen year old cat named Asimov who had been at the Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA's (PHS/SPCA) shelter for almost three years was finally adopted this past weekend on May 26.

"We are so delighted Asimov has been adopted after such a long time waiting at our shelter," said PHS/SPCA's Communications Manager Buffy Martin Tarbox. "For nearly three years, this spirited senior orange tabby was holding out hope that she would be adopted into a new and loving home, and her day finally came! Our staff and volunteers were so excited we had a mini celebration party at our shelter when Asimov left the building heading for her new home."

Named for the famous writer Isaac Asimov, she was surrendered to PHS/SPCA by her owner in July 2015 after her owner lost her housing. Asimov's story received national media attention when the popular animal blog The Dodo published an article about her last year in hopes of helping to find her a new home. The daughter of Isaac Asimov, Robyn Asimov read about the cat named after her father and offered assistance in helping to secure a loving family for the cat. PHS/SPCA also included a story about Asimov in their quarterly newsletter PawPrint last month, which caught the attention of the person who ended up adopting her.

"Three years is a long time for an animal to wait to be adopted, but since 2003, we've stuck by our promise to never euthanize a healthy dog or cat and work to find each of them a new home," according to Tarbox. "Asimov was lovingly cared for by our topnotch veterinary team, behavior staff and our volunteers while she was at our shelter. The care of all of the animals at our shelter is a team effort, and we believe the animals, and especially Asimov, are extremely grateful to have a safe place where they will receive the attention and care they need as they wait to be adopted."





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Asimov will be living with her new family in Hillsborough and will want for nothing.

PHS/SPCA is an open-door shelter that accepts all animals, regardless of age, breed or size and since 2003 has been successful in finding homes for 100% of the healthy cats and dogs in their care. PHS/SPCA saves the lives of more than 6,000 animals each year and through their donor funded Hope Program, they provide life-saving medical and behavior treatment for more than 150 animals each month.

Photos courtesy of PHS/SPCA.

About The Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA

The Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA (PHS/SPCA) is a local, private, non-profit charitable organization dedicated to animal welfare. Among our major programs, PHS/SPCA adopts fully 100% of the healthy dogs and cats in our care and also, through our charitably funded Hope Program, makes well and finds homes for thousands of animals who come to us sick, injured, or too young to survive without supportive care. PHS/SPCA is truly an open admission shelter, not only accepting many pet animals who might be refused at other shelters, but also taking care of injured and orphaned native wildlife from San Francisco through San Mateo and the northern half of Santa Clara County. Our work means 6,300 lives saved each year. Please visit www.phs-spca.org to learn about all our programs and services, ways to help our animals and special events.