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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **BURLINGTON PET ADOPTION CENTER CELEBRATES TENTH ANNIVERSARY WITH ADOPTION SPECIAL**

**Haw River, NC**—April 24, 2014 marks the tenth anniversary of the opening of the Burlington Pet Adoption Center. To celebrate ten successful years of matching homeless pets with new forever families, adoptions on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> will be discounted.

On April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, dogs can be adopted for only \$35 and cats for \$25. All adoptable animals have been spayed or neutered, have one-year rabies shots and vaccinations, and have been dewormed. Adoptable pets can be viewed online at [www.BurlingtonNC.gov/Pets](http://www.BurlingtonNC.gov/Pets) or come to meet them in person at the Pet Adoption Center located at 221 Stone Quarry Road in Haw River, just outside of the Burlington City limits.

To date, more than 9,000 animals have been adopted from the Burlington Pet Adoption Center. This bright, user-friendly facility became a reality in 2004 as the result of a 1/3 partnership between the City of Burlington, Alamance County and the non-profit Pet Adoption and Welfare Society (PAWS). The Pet Adoption Center is part of Burlington Animal Services which is operated by the City of Burlington and provides animal services to all areas in Alamance County. Financial support is also provided by Alamance County, the municipalities within the county, PAWS, and community donations.

The Spay and Neuter Clinic of Alamance County, providing low-cost spay and neuter surgeries, evolved after the Pet Adoption Center opened in 2004. Although pet adoption is a critical link to solving Alamance's County pet overpopulation problem, preventing animals from reproducing is the most effective method of decreasing the pet population. Decreasing the pet population reduces the numbers of animals that have to be euthanized, and increases the number of possible adoptions.

More information about the Burlington Pet Adoption Center, Spay and Neuter Clinic of Alamance County or the Anniversary Adoption Special can be obtained by contacting Burlington Animal Services at 578-0343.

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