

Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program in Oxford, New York is Verified by Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries



January 26, 2021 (Oxford, NY) – The Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS), the only globally recognized organization providing standards for identifying legitimate animal sanctuaries, awarded Verified status to Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program as of January 25, 2021.

Verification means that Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program meets the criteria of a true equine sanctuary/rescue and is providing humane and responsible care of the animals. To be awarded Verified status, an organization must meet GFAS's rigorous and peer-reviewed animal care standards which are confirmed by a site visit and they must

also adhere to a demanding set of ethical and operational principles. The Verification status also provides a clear and trusted means for the public, donors, and grantors to recognize Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program as an exceptional organization.

"We are proud to announce the recent Verification of Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program," said Daryl Tropea, PH.D., GFAS Program Director-Equine. "Although a relatively new organization, the Purple Haze team has years of experience working with Standardbred horses, providing owners and trainers with an outstanding placement option when their horse's racing days have finished. This organization's commitment to best practices provides a model equine transition center and evidence of an organization that truly wants to make a difference in the lives of Standardbred horses in the state of New York."

"Certification by GFAS is a cornerstone for the future of our Program," said Betty Holt, Executive Director of Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program. "To be approved and recognized as a first class Adoption Program with the highest level of care allows people to be confident in supporting us when making donations and by adopting our horses. It ensures that we maintain a constant level of integrity and care designed and recommended by GFAS."

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About Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries

Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS) is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization dedicated to the sole purpose of strengthening and supporting the work of animal sanctuaries, rescues, and rehabilitation centers worldwide. The goal of GFAS in working with and assisting these animal care facilities is to ensure they are supported, honored, recognized, and rewarded for meeting important criteria in providing care to the animals in residence. GFAS was founded in 2007 by animal protection leaders from a number of different organizations in response to virtually unchecked and often hidden exploitation of animals for human entertainment and financial profit. The GFAS Board of Directors guides the organization's work in a collaborative manner. While the board includes those in top leadership at



The Humane Society of the United States, International Fund for Animal Welfare, and American Anti-Vivisection Society, all board members serve as individuals dedicated to animal sanctuaries. www.sanctuaryfederation.org.

About Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program

Purple Haze Standardbred Adoption Program is a 501(c)3 organization created to ensure that retired Standardbred horses find a second career. The base of operations is a 105-acre farm located in Oxford, NY. This is the only adoption program in New York dedicated solely to Standardbreds. For more information, please visit, <https://phsap.com>.