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## **Humane Society of Charlotte to host 4th Annual Women for Animal Welfare Luncheon presented by Olivia Cohen and Hearst Corporation**

### **Six Honorees Will be Recognized This Year for Their Support of Animal Welfare in Charlotte**

Charlotte, NC – The Humane Society of Charlotte will host its **fourth annual Women for Animal Welfare Luncheon** on **Wednesday, May 17th from 11:30am-1:00pm at Charlotte Country Club** (2465 Mecklenburg Avenue). This event was created to honor and celebrate the work that is being done by women to help animals. This year there will be six award recipients – each who have made impactful and important accomplishments to better the lives of pets and people in Charlotte. The 2017 honorees will be:

Cary Bernstein, Spay/Neuter Charlotte  
Robin Byrd, Lake Norman Lucky Cats  
Deanna Lasner

Katie Tyler, Tyler 2 Construction  
Sara Enos, American Pit Bull Foundation  
Neya Warren, Coalition to Unchain Dogs

Two hundred and forty women will be in attendance at this ladies only luncheon presented by sponsors, Olivia Cohen and Hearst Corporation and event host Maureen O'Boyle of WBTV. "We are excited to celebrate these six very special women who are making a real difference in the lives of helpless and voiceless animals in our community. It is an honor to gather with so many women in the community who are passionate about the mission of our organization.", says Shelly Moore, President/CEO of the Humane Society of Charlotte.

In 2016, the Humane Society of Charlotte assisted over 23,000 animals and their families, successfully placed over 3,093 dogs and cats into new loving families, and performed 13,290 surgeries, many of which were targeted to the populations most at risk in our community.

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The mission of the Humane Society of Charlotte is to be a community resource committed to improving the lives of companion animals through adoption, spay/neuter and education. Our vision is to place all animals in safe and loving homes. The Humane Society of Charlotte provides low-cost spay and neuter surgeries for cats and dogs to reduce pet overpopulation throughout the Carolinas. The Humane Society of Charlotte is a non-profit organization that relies solely on private donations to achieve its mission.