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Mars Petcare's Angel May Joins Pet Partners' Board of Directors

Bellevue, WA, - Pet Partners, the nation's leading organization registering therapy animals for animal-assisted interventions, is excited to welcome Angel May, Corporate Citizenship Lead for Mars Petcare, to its Board of Directors.

"May's communications expertise as well as industry experience bring a lot of value and make a great addition to our board," said Annie Peters, President and CEO of Pet Partners.

Pet Partners is the leader in improving human health and well-being through the human-animal bond, registering nine species of animals with their human handlers as therapy animal teams. Pet Partners teams make more than 3 million visits per year in hospitals, nursing homes, schools, libraries, airports and at employee well-being events. Pet Partners also advocates for legislation that promotes human health and well-being through its grassroots advocacy program and educates handlers and the public about the positive impact of animal-assisted interventions (AAI).



May is the strategic leader for Mars Petcare's BETTER CITIES FOR PETS™ signature program, working to drive policy and behavior change to create a world where pets are welcome in more places.

With 17 years of communications experience in sports, government and consumer-packaged goods, her work has received awards in public relations volunteer campaigns and managing responses to America's worst disasters—Hurricanes Katrina and Sandy, and the Joplin Tornado.

"I know first-hand the healing benefits that pets bring in the face of tragedy," said May. And now I get to serve on the Pet Partners Board and help others understand the value pets bring as we promote and foster the animal bond for all."

Founded in 1977 and grounded in the underlying research of AAI, Pet Partners is the gold standard in therapy animal visitation and is widely credited with expanding the field of AAI. Pet Partners is led by a dedicated Board of Directors and advised by members of its Human-Animal Bond Advisory Board. www.petpartners.org

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