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Hello Amazing Followers of Love and Purrs Sanctuary 501 c non-profit.

To everyone that doesn't know I Kimberley Dolan the founder of Love and Purrs Sanctuary (LAPS) have stepped down from the organization. Non-profits are not owned by an individual they are run and managed by a board and its directors. Even though I was the face and visionary of the organization for almost 5 years the mission and purpose of (LAPS) lives on with a new board and president. If you don't understand how non-profit 501 c 3 organizations work, I suggest you look it up if you would like to understand.

The property that (LAPS) called home for many years in Clyde, NC was never owned by the non-profit. The Airbnb called Relax with Cats that became and overnight sensation on social media was also never owned by Love and Purrs Sanctuary. While Love and Purrs Sanctuary did share the same space they never owned or had rights of claim to the property or Airbnb.

Due to personal health and family issues I Kimberley Dolan sold my personal property in Clyde, NC and closed my business Relax with Cats Airbnb. I was also going to dissolve and close the non-profit (LAPS) as well.

When I sold my personal home the buyers Rachel (Olivia) and Sid Ackerman that also own a Pet Spa in Asheville, NC expressed interest in taking over the non-profit. I thought this could be wonderful for the non-profit and informed the board and we started the transfer process of the 501 c 3 non-profit to Sid.

However, quickly after the transfer process was started the board of directors became aware that this transfer was not in the best interest of (LAPS) and had an emergency meeting electing a new President for the organization. Shannon West was elected President and Sid Ackerman was terminated immediately from the board on 10/8/2023.

While the principle non-profit address and board of directors has changed. The mission and purpose of (LAPS) remains the same as it has always been. Rescuing and caring for at risk cats and kittens. Providing love, food, medical care and making cats available for adoption and educating the public on the importance of spay and neuter.

Non-profit boards have an ethical and fiduciary duty to ensure that 501 c 3 non-profits are ran and managed according to state and federal guidelines. This is what the board of directors for Love and Purrs Sanctuary has done, to ensure the integrity and validity of the non-profit.

While I have chosen to no longer be directly involved with the non-profit that I founded in 2019, I fully support and endorse the new board and president (Shannon West) of the organization and believe they will carry on the legacy that I started. I hope all of you will continue to support them as well. Wishing Love and Purrs Sanctuary continued success and hundreds of more cats and kittens saved.

Warmly, Kimberley Dolan