



Global Federation of
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Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue of Varysburg, New York is Verified by Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries



November 30, 2017, (Varysburg, NY) – The Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS), the only globally recognized organization providing standards for identifying legitimate animal sanctuaries, awarded Verified status to Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue as of November 29, 2017.

Verification means that Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue 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 Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue as an exceptional organization.

"We are proud to announce the recent Verification of Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue," said Valerie Taylor, GFAS Program Director-Equine. "This organization strives to implement best practices in every area, from the rescue and rehabilitation of the horses to the application of sustainable business practices, both of which are so important in providing long-term, responsible care for horses-in-need in New York state."

"Being verified by GFAS is a huge step for our organization in becoming the Gold Standard for draft horse rescues," said Lida Mosovich, Executive Director of Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue. "We strive to provide the best care and facilities for our draft horses and the Verification confirms that we are on the right path."

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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 Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue

Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue provides customized care to abused and neglected draft horses, and offers a chance at a new life. Many of the equines at the facility have had to overcome physical and emotional obstacles such



as medical aliments, neglect and abuse. Their goal is to rehabilitate, retrain, and rehome the horses being cared for. For those that are not able to be rehomed, Roanchar Ranch Draft Horse Rescue remains their forever home. For more information, visit <http://www.roancharranchrescue.org/> or call 716-289-7370.

About the ASPCA®

Founded in 1866, the ASPCA® (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®) is the first humane organization established in the Americas and serves as the nation's leading voice for animal welfare. One million supporters strong, the ASPCA's mission is to provide effective means for the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the United States. As a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, the ASPCA is a national leader in the areas of anti-cruelty, community outreach and animal health services. The ASPCA, which is headquartered in New York City, offers a wide range of programs, including a mobile clinic outreach initiative, its own humane law enforcement team, and a groundbreaking veterinary forensics team and mobile animal CSI unit. For more information, please visit www.aspca.org. To become a fan of the ASPCA on Facebook, go to <http://www.facebook.com/aspca>. To follow the ASPCA on Twitter, go to <http://www.twitter.com/aspca>.