Diamonds In The Rough Equine Rescue of Windsor, Virginia is Verified by Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries

December 11, 2017, (Windsor, VA) – The Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries (GFAS), the only globally recognized organization providing standards for identifying legitimate animal sanctuaries, awarded Verified status to Diamonds In The Rough Equine Rescue as of December 8, 2017.

Verification means that Diamonds In The Rough Equine 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 Diamonds In The Rough Equine Rescue as an exceptional organization.

“We are proud to announce the recent Verification of Diamonds In The Rough Equine Rescue,” said Valerie Taylor, GFAS Program Director-Equine. “The dedication of the group’s staff, volunteers, and Board to the rescue and rehabilitation of equines and their attention to creating an organized and well thought out business plan provides great organizational stability to benefit the equines in their care.”

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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 Diamonds In The Rough Equine Rescue
Diamonds In The Rough Equine Rescue is a 501(3)(c) non-profit located in Virginia. Some of our horses come to us because loving owners can no longer afford to take care of their horses. However, many come to us because Animal Control has become involved. These horses many times are very sick and underweight. At Diamonds in the Rough, we nurse the horses back to health and find them loving forever homes. For more information, visit http://adoptditr.org/ or call 757-778-1862.
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.