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WENATCHEE VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY HIRES A NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

(Wenatchee, WA)-The Wenatchee Valley Humane Society (WVHS), www.wenatcheehumane.org, has been actively working to build a more humane society and will now have a new Executive Director to lead the hard-working organization. Longtime WVSH director, Dawn Davies, officially retired in 2021 and has stepped in as the *interim* director these past few months. The board made an official offer to a new Executive Director, James Pumphrey. James has two decades of experience in animal sheltering and advocacy and will take the reins this week.

James Pumphrey has led statewide initiatives as the Director of Maddie’s Pet Project, a program of the Dave and Cheryl Duffield Foundation. James has taught classes nationally on animal sheltering’s best practices and leadership. He has led operations in large animal shelters on the east and west coast. As a seasoned animal welfare leader, James is passionate about advancing conditions that put welfare first for both people and animals. He holds certifications in animal behavior, animal cruelty investigation, adult learning, risk management, and project management. James is known for his ability to offer expertise, guidance, and support to fellow shelter leaders helping them to achieve their goals through collaboration.

Retiring *Interim* Executive Director, Dawn Davies, leaves the organization financially sound with a strong shelter team in place. “We are thrilled to welcome James to our community and know he will make a tremendous impact on saving pets’ lives in North Central Washington,” states Davies.

For more information on the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society, visit www.wenatcheehumane.org , email wvhs@wenatcheehumane.org or call 509.662.9577.

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