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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Moline family gives rescued horse a new chance at life**

Sedan, Kan. – In an act of generosity and kindness, Moline residents Becky and Brent DeWitt, along with their children Addison and Lane, have opened their hearts and their home to a rescued horse and given her a new chance at life. The DeWitts adopted Pepper, a 21-year-old registered Arabian mare, from Rainbow Meadows Equine Rescue and Retirement, Inc., located near Sedan.

Pepper came to Rainbow Meadows after having been used in a backyard breeding operation in north-central Kansas. Although the operation's inability to care for the horses reached a crisis level, mares and stallions were still allowed to run together without sufficient food and wellness care. As a result, Pepper was bred at the age of 20. The stress of malnutrition was great, especially when complicated by the presence of a developing foal. Fortunately, her daughter Contessa was born healthy and strong in late September 2009 and is currently awaiting adoption. Pepper is saddle-trained and will be a great partner to her new family.

"All too often, people think of the rescued horse as old, infirm or out-of-control," said Karen Everhart, Rainbow Meadows' executive director. "When in fact, most rescued horses are friendly, rideable and ready to be wonderful partners in a loving family."

Dedicated to the rescue of abused, neglected and unwanted horses, Rainbow Meadows is an IRS-designated 501(c)(3) public charity. It currently houses more than 30 rescues, all of which are available for adoption through a process designed to ensure that the horse goes to a safe and caring "forever" home. Rainbow Meadows also actively works to educate current and potential horse owners on how to provide quality care for their horses.

Rainbow Meadows was established in 2005, and in addition to its rescue services it also offers a retirement program for individuals wishing to retire their horses to the ranch. All services provided by the rescue are funded entirely by gifts and donations. For more information, call (620) 725-3402 or visit [www.rainbowmeadowsranch.com](http://www.rainbowmeadowsranch.com).

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