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Amherst Man Sentenced for Animal Cruelty

Amherst, Nova Scotia – Reginald Evans, 63, of Amherst, has been sentenced for animal cruelty under the Animal Protection Act of Nova Scotia. In October 2019, Evans was charged for failing to provide adequate medical attention, contrary to section 22 (b) of the Animal Protection Act of Nova Scotia. Evans was convicted in Amherst Provincial Court on September 21, 2020 and given a five-year prohibition order on owning animals including but not limited to livestock, farm, and companion animals. He was also issued a \$150 fine to be paid before March 22, 2021.

On October 17, 2019, the Nova Scotia SPCA received a complaint that a dog was in poor condition and unable to walk. SPCA Enforcement Officers responded that same day and found a small dog in distress. As a direct result of the dog's condition, the dog was seized and immediately taken for emergency care. As per the veterinarian's medical recommendations, the dog was humanely euthanized.

"The dog was found in thin condition and soaked in urine," says Jo-Anne Landsburg, Chief Provincial Inspector at the Nova Scotia SPCA. "It was determined the dog was in critical distress and prolonging the dog's life would further its suffering."

The Nova Scotia SPCA has a zero-tolerance policy for animal cruelty and neglect. You can report acts of animal cruelty by calling the SPCA toll-free at 1-888-703-7722, e-mailing animals@spcans.ca or filling out the online form at www.novascotiaspca.ca/reportcruelty/. All concerns and complaints are kept confidential.

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About the Nova Scotia SPCA

Proudly following no-kill principles, the Nova Scotia SPCA is a registered charity that helps companion animals in need. Every year, more than 16,000 pets are helped through animal rescue, progressive programs, and rehoming opportunities. They do not receive any government funding for their shelters, so the SPCA relies on community support to help care for local pets in need. To learn more visit www.novascotiaspca.ca

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