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\$20,000 Reward in Case of Horse Killer



MIAMI, FLORIDA, March 27, 2019 - Animal Recovery Mission, a vanguard defense organization committed to exposing the most extreme cases of animal abuse and brutality, is offering a \$20,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or people responsible for the gruesome killing of a horse in Miami-Dade County, Florida. Two other horses are presently missing from the owner's property as well, presumed to have been stolen and slaughtered for their meat.

In the early morning of March 26, 2019, Animal Recovery Mission (ARM) was notified personally from the owner of the horrific discovery of the dead horse. Destiny, a 13 y/o Paso Fino mare was stolen from her home and dragged down the road to a "kill zone," where she was stabbed in the heart and throat repeatedly in an effort to slaughter her. She managed to escape the horse killers; however, due to the extent of her injuries she succumbed and bled to death after attempting to return to her home for safety.

In 2010, the Good Horse Slaughter Act made the buying, selling, transporting, and killing of a horse for human consumption, as well as possessing horse meat, a felony in Florida. Perpetrators may face a minimum of one year imprisonment and/or a \$3,500 fine. Regardless of this law, the underground trade of the black market horse industry is a pervasive occurrence in Florida.

"The killing of Destiny for her meat has struck a chord in people throughout the state of Florida and across the country," said Richard "Kudo" Couto, Founder of ARM. "This type of lawlessness and brutality must not be tolerated within our community. ARM is hoping this reward will help bring justice to this horse, owners, and people that cared for and loved her."

The Animal Recovery Mission is a Non-Profit animal cruelty investigative organization based in Miami Beach, Florida. A defending force for the welfare of all animals, ARM is dedicated to eliminating extreme animal cruelty operations worldwide.

Information related to these incidents should be directed to Animal Recovery Mission by visiting animalrecoverymission.org or by calling 786-877-2013. Visit link to view additional photos and information <https://bit.ly/2TDm82X>

Media inquiries should be directed towards Rachel Taylor, at 305-807-6252 taylor@arminvestigations.org, or 786-877-2013 info@arminvestigations.org

For additional information, photos, and video footage, please visit www.animalrecoverymission.org. Animal Recovery Mission (ARM Investigations) PO Box 403344 Miami Beach, FL 33140.