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**Veterinary Referral Center's Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center
Announces New Surgical Specialist**

DALLAS – Veterinary Referral Center of North Texas announced today that Nancy Zimmerman-Pope, DVM, MS, recently joined the Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center, one of the five specialty practices, as a surgical specialist. Her training includes orthopedics, soft tissue and neurosurgery.

“We are very pleased that Dr. Zimmerman-Pope has joined the group of surgeons,” said Joe King, DVM, Veterinary Referral Center’s hospital administrator. “Engaging someone with Dr. Zimmerman-Pope’s credentials is in line with the Veterinary Surgical Center’s goal to recruit the brightest and most talented individuals. This continues to strengthen the team of outstanding veterinary specialists.”

Zimmerman-Pope completed an academic internship at the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine, a surgery internship at the Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center and a small animal surgery residency at the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine in Blacksburg, Virginia prior to joining the Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center.

Zimmerman-Pope earned her DVM from the University of Wisconsin – Madison, School of Veterinary Medicine and earned a Master of Science from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Virginia.

She received several awards recognizing her achievements: 2003 District of Columbia Academy of Veterinary Medicine Resident Clinical Teaching Award, 1998 Eberhard Rosin General Surgery Award, 1998 Rauwald-Regan Memorial Award, 1998 Salsbury Award, 1995 and 1996 Academic Leadership Award.

Zimmerman-Pope’s professional memberships include American Veterinary Medical Association, Texas Veterinary Medical Association, Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association and Dallas County Veterinary Medical Association.

About Veterinary Referral Center of North Texas

The Veterinary Referral Center of North Texas houses specialists that care for animals referred by veterinarians in general practice. The Veterinary Referral Center specialists have extensive knowledge in specific disciplines enabling them to assist general

practitioners with diagnosis and treatment of challenging cases. Each specialty practice offers the highest level of care using the most recent available technology in a state-of-the-art facility. The Veterinary Referral Center of North Texas consists of five specialty referral practices: Animal Dermatology Referral Clinic, Animal Diagnostic Clinic, Animal Ophthalmology Clinic, Animal Radiology Clinic and Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center. For more information, visit www.vrc-nt.com or call 972.407.9571.

About Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center

The surgeons at the Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center train to diagnose and manage many types of surgical cases. These include fractures, arthroplasty (joint surgery), abdominal procedures (stomach, pancreas, liver, kidney, etc), thoracic (heart, lung, etc) surgery, skin reconstruction and neurosurgery (spinal fractures, disc herniations, lumbosacral disease, etc). In some cases, the veterinary surgeons recommend alternatives to surgery. A physical therapist offers physical therapy for patients who would benefit. The neurologist, trained in neurosurgery, treats medical cases such as seizure disorders, brain tumors and neuromuscular diseases. A team of trained staff assists the specialists. The veterinary surgeons and staff carefully monitor anesthesia during procedures and all patients recover in the intensive care unit. Patients receive 24-hour care that includes providing everything necessary to keep them comfortable during their hospital visit. With their specialized training, equipment and excellent staff, the surgeons and neurologist successfully improve the quality of life for many patients. For more information visit www.dfwvetsurgeons.com or call in Dallas, 972.267.8100 or in Fort Worth, 817.379.5444.

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