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CHARGES FILED IN ANIMAL CRUELTY CASE Denver Animal Shelter Impounds 27 Animals

Four people have been charged with animal cruelty after more than two dozen animals, mostly dogs, were rescued from a hoarding situation in a small apartment in southeast Denver last week.

Ken Rumery (07-06-56), **Linda Rumery** (11-24-62), **Karla Rumery** (12-15-88) and **Ian Nelson** (01-19-89) were each served a Criminal Summons yesterday charging them with animal cruelty (M1). They are scheduled to appear in Denver County Court on November 1, 2013 at 10 a.m. for their first court appearance.

On September 25, 2013, Denver Animal Care & Control (ACC) responded to an apartment in the 10000 block of East Virginia Avenue and impounded 27 animals from an 800-square foot apartment. ACC removed 22 dogs, one cat, two turtles and two hamsters. They also removed one dead puppy and three dead frogs.

The surviving animals are being cared for at the Denver Animal Shelter at 1241 W. Bayaud Avenue in Denver. Those interested in making a donation to help care for the animals can visit www.denveranimalshelter.org.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. See Colo. RPC 3.6