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EMMY NOMINATED TRANSFORMERS RESCUE BOTS RETURNS TO DISCOVERY FAMILY CHANNEL WITH BACK-TO-BACK PREMIERE EPISODES BEGINNING SATURDAY, APRIL 23

 This Season, Celebrity Guest Stars Kristen Schaal and Alex Kingston Visit Griffin Rock and TRANSFORMERS RESCUE BOTS Celebrates its 100th Episode Milestone –



(New York) – Power up, energize and roll to the rescue as the fourth season of **TRANSFORMERS RESCUE BOTS** premieres on Discovery Family Channel with back-to-back episodes on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 23 at 8 AM</u> <u>ET/7 AM CT and 8:30 AM ET/7:30 AM CT</u>. Additionally, the animated series will introduce new characters – the first-ever female Rescue Bot "Quickshadow" voiced by Alex Kingston ("ER") and "Chickadee" voiced by Kristen Schaal ("Bob's Burgers"). **TRANSFORMERS RESCUE BOTS** will also celebrate its 100th episode milestone this season.

In the season four back-to-back premiere episodes "New Normal" and "Bridge Building," the invasion of an evil alien race forces the Rescue Bots to reveal their true extraterrestrial identities to the citizens of Griffin Rock. But before the townspeople vote on whether to let the robots in disguise stay in their town, the Autobots are transported to the Sahara Desert and must band together with their human counterparts to get home safely. Throughout the action-packed season, the Bots work tirelessly on a new project, construction of the Mainland Training Center and continue to test the powerful "Groundbridge" portal that allows them to transport between their firehouse headquarters and training center.

TRANSFORMERS RESCUE BOTS follows the adventures of four young Transformers and their human counterparts – a family of emergency responders with 12-year-old Cody Burns at the center. The Rescue Bots –

Heatwave, Chase, Blades and Boulder are tasked by Optimus Prime to study the ways of humanity and protect mankind on the island of Griffin Rock, a highly advanced hub of technology located off the coast of Maine. Throughout the series, Cody and his family teach the Bots how to live amidst humankind while learning about teamwork, cooperation and overcoming obstacles along the way. Created specifically for a younger generation of **TRANSFORMERS** fans, each 30-minute episode of **TRANSFORMERS RESCUE BOTS** is full of family, heart, humor and adventure as the Rescue Bots support their mission to protect and learn from humans.

TRANSFORMERS RESCUE BOTS is produced by Hasbro Studios for Discovery Family Channel. For Hasbro Studios, Stephen Davis is the executive producer. The series was developed for television by Jeff Kline, Nicole Dubuc and Brian Hohlfeld. To learn more, go to http://www.discoveryfamilychannel.com, on Facebook at Facebook.com/DiscFamily and on Twitter @DiscoveryFamily.

About Discovery Family Channel

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