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<u>NEW ANIMAL PLANET SERIES 'SAVED BY THE BARN' FOLLOWS</u> <u>DAN MCKERNAN WHO TRADES IN TECH JOB TO RESCUE &</u> <u>REHABILITATE BARNYARD ANIMALS</u>

-New series premieres Saturday, Apr. 11 at 10pm ET/ PT-

While some people dream of leaving their desk jobs for one of passion, most don't go the distance, but for Dan McKernan, it was the chance to trade in a good living for a great life. In Animal Planet's newest series, **SAVED BY THE BARN, premiering Saturday, Apr. 11 at 10PM ET/ PT**, we'll meet Dan McKernan who picked up from his six-figure tech job in Austin, TX and left it all behind to take over his family's *140*-year-old farm in Michigan and transform it into the 'Barn Sanctuary;' a sanctuary for rescued farm animals that have experienced abuse, neglect, and much more. In this exciting new series, audiences join Dan and his family as they learn the ropes of their new life on the farm, give these barnyard animals a second chance at life, and experience the compassion Dan brings to every animal in his care.

In **SAVED BY THE BARN**, we'll tag along as Dan travels across the country to rescue barn animals including a set of roosters from Chicago who were forced to fight each other, Charlie, a blind goat; two ducklings who undergo special water therapy; Lola, a goat who needs prosthetics for her back hooves, and many others farm animals that get the opportunity to be integrating into a new life at the Barn Sanctuary. Viewers will fall in love with Dan and his family, be inspired by the animals, relish in the rescues and rehabilitation, and delight at the warmth and humor it takes all in a day's work!

In the premiere episode, audiences will watch Dan prepare the opening of the new pasture after an arduous winter in Michigan. We'll meet dwarf goats, Twitch & Portia; goats Steve, Chevy, and Martin, also known as 'The Three Amigos;' in addition to pigs, cows, sheep, and more. We'll also meet the farm's latest rescue, a sheep named Ginger, who needs surgery on her front legs after a birth defect has left her unable to walk. Viewers will witness Ginger's amazing transformation from shy sheep to becoming a part of the pack living the rest of her life on the new pasture along with the other incredible animal stories featured this season.

In addition to watching the series on Animal Planet, viewers can check out new episodes of **SAVED BY THE BARN** each week by downloading the *Animal Planet GO* app. Viewers can join the conversation on social media by using the hashtag #savedbythebarn and follow Animal Planet on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for the latest updates.

SAVED BY THE BARN is produced for Animal Planet by High Noon Entertainment, an ITV America company. For High Noon Entertainment, Scott Feeley and Corinna Robbins are executive producers. For Animal Planet, Dawn Sinsel is executive producer and Pat Dempsey is supervising producer. ITV America is part of ITV Studios.

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Love for VH1; survival show *Dude, You're Screwed* for Discovery; the upcoming *Saved by the Barn* for Animal Planet and many more. For more information, please visit <u>highnoontv.com</u>.