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## ANIMAL PLANET TRAVELS COAST TO COAST TO FIND AMERICA'S FEISTIEST FELINES AND CAT FANATICS IN MUST LOVE CATS

-- Musician/Host John Fulton Seeks To Prove America is a Cat-Nation In New Six-Part Series Debuting February 12 --

(Silver Spring, MD, January 19, 2011) – This February, Animal Planet will eat, sleep and breathe cats with the series premiere of **MUST LOVE CATS**. Songwriting and cat-loving host John Fulton embarks on a road trip across America to spend time with, and write songs about, the country's most talented tabbies, quirkiest kittens, enthusiastic cat owners and experts. The sixepisode cat quest begins on **Saturday, February 12, at 8 PM (ET/PT)** and continues each Saturday as John makes his way from the deep South to the Pacific coast and back again with numerous pit stops along the way.

Each episode of **MUST LOVE CATS** focuses on a specific region of the country featuring visits to several states, where musical host Fulton explores the greatest cat tales in the U.S. Highlights of the trip include:

- A visit to Caboodle Ranch in **Florida**, which is home to more than 500 cats and a resident cat wrangler.
- A town in **Texas** famous for its population of fat cats and the residents who adore them.
- A trek to the catnip fields of **Washington** to learn all about the mystery herb that drives cats crazy.
- A stake-out of a "klepto kitty" in **California** that has stolen hundreds of its neighbors' belongings, followed by a visit to a local coffee house where John samples the rare delicacy, coffee made from beans scooped out of cat poop!
- A stop in **Washington D.C.**, to witness the emotional bonds between cats and our nation's veterans.
- A trip to the Big Apple, **New York City**, to meet a group of working felines that keep the city that never sleeps operational, and to catch a cat fashion show.
- And, a journey to the Midwest that sends John to a lab in **Minnesota** to identify the best kitty litter, and lands him face to whisker in **Indiana** with the world's most famous lasagna loving cat, Garfield.

With even more cities and states on John's journey and hundreds of other cats to meet, **MUST LOVE CATS** provides the guitar-playing host with plenty of material to write his "kitty ditties," and an opportunity to show that America truly is crazy for cats.

**MUST LOVE CATS** is produced by Powderhouse Productions for Animal Planet. Joel Olicker, Tug Yourgrau and Seanbaker Carter are executive producers for Powderhouse. John Tomlin is co-executive producer for Powerderhouse. Erin Wanner is the executive producer for Animal Planet.

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