

## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20224

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Great Cats in Crisis c/o Mr. Brian Werner 17548 FM 14 Tyler, TX 75706 **Employer Identification Number:** 80-0005854 Person to Contact and ID Number: Robert M. Cowen ID#50-21789 Toll Free Contact Number: (877) 829-5500 Accounting Period Ending: September 30 Public Charity Status: 509(a)(1) & 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) Form 990 Required: Effective Date of Exemption: October 1, 2001 Contribution Deductibility: Yes Advance Ruling Ending Date: September 30, 2006

## Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. During your advance ruling period, you will be treated as a public charity. Your advance ruling period begins with the effective date of exemption and ends with the advance ruling ending date shown in the heading of this letter.

Shortly before the end of your advance ruling period, we will send you Form 8734, Support Schedule for Advance Ruling Period. You will have 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period to return the completed form. We will review the information you provide and determine whether you have met the public support test. We will then notify you, in writing, about your public charity status.

## Great Cats in Crisis

Please see enclosed *Information for Organizations Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)* for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Sincerely,

(signed) Lois G. Lerner

Lois G. Lerner Director, Exempt Organizations Rulings & Agreements

Enclosures: Information for Organizations Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)
Form 872-C