



**Ed Sayres
President & CEO**

As an experienced leader in the animal welfare movement, Ed Sayres has worked most of his life to improve the welfare of animals. Mr. Sayres became the sixteenth President of the ASPCA on June 2, 2003, and is the guiding force behind ASPCA® Mission: Orange™.

Mr. Sayres was formerly the President of The San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (The SF/SPCA), a “no-kill” shelter that is a model for animal shelters throughout the country. He led The SF/SPCA partnership with San Francisco Animal Care and Control, a pioneering alliance that has reduced euthanasia, increased the save rate and reduced the number of dogs and cats at risk in San Francisco.

Prior to joining The SF/SPCA in 1998, Mr. Sayres was the Director of PetSmart Charities, where he administered the Grants Program, distributing more than \$3 million to local humane societies. He also managed the In-Store Adoption Program in collaboration with local humane societies, resulting in the placement of more than 150,000 animals annually, and developing partnerships with more than 1,000 humane societies to reduce euthanasia.

From 1995 to 1997, he served as Director of the Animal Protection Division at the American Humane Association. In this role, Mr. Sayres took the lead in recognizing the importance of managing feral cat populations humanely, and promoted the “no-kill” movement in the national debate on animal sheltering practices.

Prior to 1995, Mr. Sayres worked for 20 years at St. Hubert’s Animal Welfare Center, a statewide animal protection agency in Madison, N.J. He served as President of St. Hubert’s for 14 years and created the largest humane society-based dog training facility in the country. He organized and became the first President of the Animal Welfare Federation of New Jersey, an alliance of 115 groups that worked together under his leadership to advocate for the benefit of animal welfare in the state. Mr. Sayres currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA).

Mr. Sayres received his Masters in Psychology from Sonoma State University. He resides in Millbrook, N.Y. with his wife, Michele, and their dog, Jezebel.

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