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NAPA, CALIFORNIA, USA, October 27, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Sila Productions is proud to announce the screening of the award-winning film, "From the Kill Pen," at the upcoming Napa Valley Film Festival in Napa Valley, California. The much-anticipated film is scheduled to screen three times over the course of the festival:

Tuesday Nov. 8th 10 am at the Gliderport, 1712 Lincoln Avenue, Calistoga, US 94515

Thursday Nov. 10th 1 pm at the Farmstead Theatre, 738 Main Street, St. Helena, CA 94574

Sunday Nov. 13th 9:30 am at the Napa Valley College Theatre, 2277 Napa Vallejo Highway, Napa, CA 94558

Fact-driven and without gratuitous violence, "From the Kill Pen" exposes the widespread overbreeding and criminal meat distribution cycle which has allowed tainted horsemeat to enter the human food chain - activity which has been operating under the radar for years.

"Most Americans are completely unaware that approximately 150,000 American horses are rounded up and auctioned off for slaughter right here in the United States," says director Sharon Boeckle. "They are then shipped to Canada and Mexico to be killed and their carcasses sold to international meat distributors."

"From the Kill Pen" includes in-depth interviews with some of the nation's leading experts on the subject, including: Gov. Bill Richardson of New Mexico; Keith Dane of the Humane Society; Journalist Vickery Eckhoff; and Reps. Jan Schakowsky and Patrick Meehan, co-sponsors of the Safeguard American Food Exports Act, which if passed would install a permanent ban on horse slaughter in the United States and the shipping of American horses elsewhere for slaughter.

"'From the Kill Pen' is the 'Blackfish' for America's horses," says Jane Blais of the Safe Food Safe Horses Coalition, the coalition currently fighting for the passage of the Safeguard American Food Exports Act (S.1214 and HR.1942.) "The film exposes a dirty little secret – that the US Congress allows American horses, contaminated with FDA banned substances, to enter the global food supply."

Sonja Meadows, President and Founder of Animals Angels, an organization fighting to close the slaughter pipeline in the United States, applauds the film as "a hard-hitting, passionate, and revealing exposé that powerfully documents the horrific fate of U.S. horses caught up in the slaughter pipeline. This is a must see film."

"From the Kill Pen" was selected as part of the Napa Valley Film Festival's special program, The Whinnies! Best of Equine Film. "This courageous film is important to see if we are to fully awaken and

effect change for horses," says Kimberly Carlisle, curator for the program.

For more information on the Napa Valley Film Festival screening, visit <http://napavalleyfilmfest.org/from-the-kill-pen>. For more information on the film, visit www.fromthekillpen.com or <https://www.facebook.com/killpenmovie>.

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