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FROM: THE PALM BEACH ZOO

RE: PALM BEACH ZOO ANNOUNCES "WILD SAFARI" SUMMER CAMP

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February 19, 2008 – The Palm Beach Zoo has announced plans for its 2008 Summer Zoo Camp for children ages 5 – 14. The "Wild Safari" Summer Camp will be offered from June 9th to August 22nd. Zoo Campers will participate in a variety of daily activities including up-close animal encounters, fountain play, crafts, hands-on science, zoo tours, games, scavenger hunts and of course zoo keeping duties. Each week of the summer program brings a new wildlife adventure, such as *Mystery at the Zoo*, *Most Extreme Animals*, *Rockin' Reptiles*, and *Swamp Things*. Camp hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Before and after care and lunch are available. All programs are on Palm Beach Zoo grounds at Dreher Park in West Palm Beach. Weekly sessions will be offered from June 4 through August 22nd. For more information and registration forms visit WWW.PALMBEACHZOO.ORG.

Kristen Cytacki, the zoo's Education Director, said, "At a time when child health and education experts are expressing grave concerns about the debilitating effects of nature deprivation among our children, a week of zoo camp can be a very important choice. We get kids away from computer monitors and TV screens and i-pods and immerse them in the natural world. They love the chance to get their hands dirty and spend their days learning about animals and their environment. It can be a life-changing experience!"

Palm Beach Zoo is located at 1301 Summit Boulevard, just east of I-95 between Southern and Forest Hill Boulevard. Regular zoo admission: Regular \$12.95, Seniors 60+ \$9.95, Children 3-12 \$8.95, under 3 years and Zoo Members are free. For more information visit www.palmbeachzoo.org.

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