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*The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated. - M. Gandhi*

### PRESS RELEASE

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#### **Man Charged with Two Counts of Felony Animal Abuse**

Pomeranian puppy suffers broken front legs.

OAKLAND – The Oakland Police Department arrested Kem Eap on February 20, 2009, for breaking both front legs of a four-month-old Pomeranian puppy. The Alameda County District Attorney's office has charged Eap with two felony counts of animal abuse. Oakland Police Department's Criminal Investigation and Oakland Animal Services are investigating the incident.

An anonymous caller informed the Oakland Police Department of the injured puppy, and both police and animal control officers responded. Baby Chloe, who was found hiding under a television set when officers arrived, was unable to use her front legs and had to depend on only her hind legs to stand.

Baby Chloe has now had extensive surgery to repair her fractured legs. Friends of the Oakland Animal Shelter, a 501(c)(3) non-profit committed to helping improve the quality of life for shelter animals, is collecting donations to pay for Baby Chloe's surgery and for the veterinary care of other injured shelter animals. Donations can be sent to Friends of the Oakland Animal Shelter at PO Box 3132, Oakland, CA 94609, or online at [www.oaklandsanimals.org](http://www.oaklandsanimals.org).

"We are focusing on assisting with the investigation of this case and ensuring that this puppy makes a full recovery from her serious injuries," states Adam Parascandola, Oakland Animal Services Director.

For additional information or to schedule a time to photograph Baby Chloe, contact Adam Parascandola, Director, Oakland Animal Services, 510-535-5640, [www.oaklandanimalservices.org](http://www.oaklandanimalservices.org).



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