



***We can't change
their past,
But we can
rewrite their future.***

January, 2024

The Hallie Hill Howler



Hallie Hill made it through the challenges of 2023 due to the generous support of donors like you! Nationwide, the number of adoptions was low and there was an increase in the number of animals surrendered to shelters this past year. Animal welfare organizations across the country felt the strain.

The nature of a Sanctuary means there is not a high turnover of animals. Instead, time and resources are invested in animals that provide them with a quality home in the hopes that they will eventually be adopted. As we spend time with animals, we become close to them, admiring their individual personalities. In 2023, we shed tears saying 'goodbye' to some long-term residents such as Grizzly and Jameson - who were staff and volunteer favorites. We also cried tears of joy with farewells to some of our favorites who were chosen for adoption. Lucy's adoption was just one recent cause for celebration.

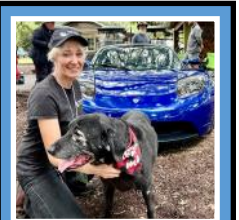
Lucy, a 10-year-old labrador, had an owner who was in and out of the hospital during his illness and, sadly, eventual death. With no family to adopt Lucy, a neighbor attempted to give her a home instead of dropping her off at an overcrowded shelter. Lucy was so anxious that she destroyed the neighbor's door the first day she was left alone. Fortunately, a spot at Hallie Hill opened for Lucy who arrived needing treatment for infected skin, considerable dental work, and a diet to achieve a healthy weight.

Lucy quickly won the hearts of everyone she met. She attended public events and visited schools as an ambassador for Hallie Hill. It was not long before the Lazar family inquired about Lucy and made the drive from Greenville to meet her and fall in love. They stated that Lucy is settling in and loving life as she should in her golden years! See Pup-Dates on page 7!

Please make a new year's resolution to make plans for your pets in the event you are unable to care for them. It is frightening for pets to lose their human companions, and you would be providing them with a service to ensure they are cared for in your absence.

Hallie Hill wishes you a happy and healthy 2024 for all of the humans, and animals, that you love!

Jennifer Middleton, CAWA
Executive Director
Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary



***Lucy at Cars at
Kiawah River
10.14.23***

Volunteer Spotlight

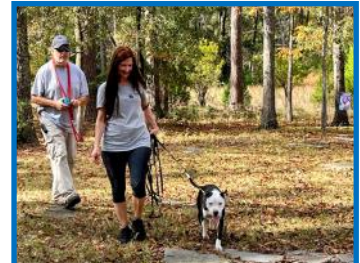
Happy New Year, Volunteers!

We are so excited for everything that is coming up at the sanctuary in the new year! We will be expanding our volunteer program by continuing to welcome new volunteers, adding new sign up opportunities with both cats and dogs, as well as other opportunities such as maintenance and clerical assistance, and building an enrichment team, to name a few. For our dog volunteers, we currently have three levels or "tiers" of volunteer status. It's up to you to decide if you'd like to advance through the tiers. or stay at a specific tier, either is okay, we have multiple opportunities at every tier!

For those of you who would like to advance to tier three, it will now be required that you complete the "Fear Free Shelter Program." The Fear Free Shelters program is an internationally known program that is completed online. After a brief introduction to Fear Free, you will work through four mandatory modules, which will need to be taken in consecutive order. Each module will end with an exam, which needs to be successfully completed prior to moving on to the next module. Progress on work can be saved at any time, giving you the flexibility to self-pace throughout the program. The core modules take approximately 5 hours to complete. When all four modules have been completed, you will be awarded with a Fear Free Shelter Program Certificate of Completion. You can learn more about the program, as well as register here, <https://fearfreeshelters.com/about/>. To register for the course, you will need a signed form from us, you can find them hanging on the bulletin board in the tack room or you can email Michele at michele@halliehill.com.



All staff have completed the course and so far, our amazing volunteers Lynn Rosato, Laura Tudor, Lorraine Guyton and Daren Seipel have completed it as well! Way to go ladies, thank you for your dedication to understanding and improving the lives of our sanctuary residents!







As we begin a new year, it is a good time to review our mission at Hallie Hill and to remind ourselves of the guiding principles with which we approach all of our animals in need...we thought we would share this philosophy with you!

What Are the Five Freedoms and What Do They Mean to You?

When you get a new puppy or kitten, no one tells you your new pet has five main welfare needs that need to be met. But maybe they should, because they provide a framework for how we should care for dogs, cats, and other pets. Read on to find out what they are, how many pet owners know them, and why they matter to you.

The Five Freedoms

- The Five Freedoms were originally defined by the UK's [Farm Animal Welfare Council](#) in the 1960s, and subsequently updated. They are now understood to apply to the welfare of all animals, not just livestock.

The Five Freedoms are:

- Freedom from hunger and thirst, by ready access to water and a diet to maintain health and vigor.
- Freedom from discomfort, by providing an appropriate environment.
- Freedom from pain, injury and disease, by prevention or rapid diagnosis and treatment.
- Freedom to express normal behavior, by providing sufficient space, proper facilities and appropriate company of the animal's own kind.
- Freedom from fear and distress, by ensuring conditions and treatment, which avoid mental suffering.

The Five Freedoms define animal welfare and consequently you can find them on the websites of organizations like the [ASPCA](#) (with a downloadable poster), the [BC SPCA](#) and the [RSPCA Queensland](#). In the UK, the [RSPCA](#) and the [PDSA](#) write about how these welfare needs are enshrined in law.

The Five Freedoms tell us our pets have five welfare needs – diet, environment, health, companionship, and behavior.

Knowing About the Five Freedoms

- How many pet owners know about these needs? Every year since 2011, the PDSA in the UK has released its PAW report on the welfare of pets. The 2018 report tells us how many people know about these five welfare needs.

The good news is that most people were able to identify four of the five welfare needs when shown a list.

87% identified the need to be protected from pain, suffering, injury and disease.

- 85% identified the need to live in a suitable environment.
- 85% identified the need for a suitable diet
- 67% identified the need to exhibit normal behavior patterns.
- So what did most people miss
Only 18% identified the need to be housed with, or apart from, other animals.

Unfortunately these needs are not as well known as they should be. Only 13% of pet owners were able to correctly identify all five of the animal's needs.

And 29% of people thought that a need for human company was one of the welfare needs. Are they correct?

Read the rest of this important article [HERE](#) to find out!




The Canine Corner



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Five ways you can help a new dog settle at home



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If you have recently adopted a puppy or older dog then helping them settle into their new home is a top priority.

Here are some helpful tips:

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1. Give them space

There can be a lot of change in a short period of time for newly adopted dogs. Set them up somewhere that is quiet and where they can get much needed rest.

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2. Avoid too many visitors

The first thing we want to do is tell everyone about the new arrival. Tell everyone, but keep the "showing off" to a minimum. Your dog needs time to rest after all the stress.

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3. Avoid doing too many things

Of course you are excited about your new family member and you want to start showing them the world. Wait 72 hrs+ before starting to expose them to more than their home turf.

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4. Don't worry about training

The first few weeks of your new arrival don't put pressure on them by trying to teach them things. Their mind is already so full learning about their new life and routines.

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5. Nurture secure attachment

Your new addition's whole world has suddenly been flipped upside down. They need a safe, calm person that they can start to trust and form a bond with. Be there to comfort them.

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BONUS TIP 🎉


Get professional help early on

Each relationship is different so even if you have raised puppies, adopted before or had dogs all your life getting a professional on board early on can help even out any kinks.

It just makes the process so much smoother!

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DON'T PLAY WITH LASERS



WHY DOGS SHOULDN'T PLAY WITH LASERS

Source: <https://www.abc.org/press-advice/healthy-living/puppies-moves-evolution-when-ful/>
<https://www.bendtschurke.com/post/2018/01/01/the-bear-complexion-show-that-bear-penetrates-can-lead-to-bear-penetrates-symptoms-in-dogs>

🔪 Frustration on the part of the dog with a triggered prey drive and no pay-off for chasing

❓ Confusion when the light disappears. Can lead to seeking lights and shadows outside of the game.

🐾 Obsessive compulsive behaviors are frequently seen with dogs that play with laser pointers.


🐾 Increased anxiety from chasing an uncatchable prey.

🔪 Can hurt themselves chasing a light with no smell, touch or taste

👁️ Lasers can damage your dog's eyes if accidentally shone directly in.

— Educational Dog Infographics —

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CIRCADIAN RHYTHMS

Like us, dogs have Circadian Rhythms - physical, mental / behavioural changes that follow a 24hr cycle which can tell time

These rhythms include environmental factors like temperature / light / hormone levels / neural activity / other physiological changes

I NOSE WHAT TIME IT IS

BESIDES THE OBVIOUS CUES, HOW DO DOGS KNOW WHAT TIME IT IS ?

A DOG'S AMAZING SENSE OF SMELL HELPS TO TELL THE TIME

TIME HAS A SCENT

As air heats up in the day, air currents change / move around in space / carry molecules of scent

Different times of the day have a different scent

These changes become predictable patterns that help dogs understand the passing of time

INTENSITY

Dogs notice the intensity of scent / learn that certain things happen when specific levels are reached

Dogs can also detect what / who has been in an area / how long ago they were there by the intensity of that scent

If we leave for work, our scent gets weaker as each hour passes

Dogs learn that when our scent gets to a certain level, it's time for us to return

The intensity of our scent predicts the time of our return

Dogs Disclosed

Thank You Sophie Gamand for honoring Hallie Hill's beloved Herbert...

'Herbert passed away this year (2023) after waiting for years at Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary. I photographed him in 2017 to help him find a home, but between his old age, allergies, and the need to be an only dog, it was difficult finding his person.



Herbert was very loved at the shelter, and lucky to have a special foster mom, Susan, at the end of his life: "I was blessed to have Herbert for 498 days! I had always loved Herbert. At age 12 or 13, having never been anywhere else, Herbert came home with me. He shook the entire way home. Getting out of the car he saw the three steps into the house and looked at me as if to say: "What am I to do with this?" He figured it out quickly.

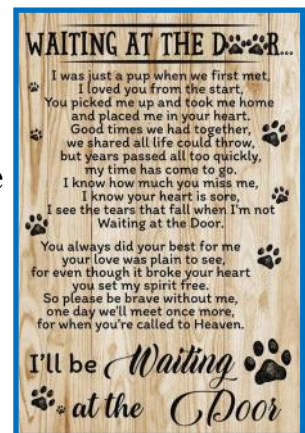
He was house trained in 2 or 3 days and learned how to use the dog door. He loved my peanut butter and strawberry jam sandwiches when I turned my head. His look of delight was priceless! He also loved blueberries, bananas, any meat, and lots of attention. He quickly became the object of adoration, especially with the neighborhood kids. He was such a doll. He did not bark for the first 3 months-then he found his voice!

Herbert had a good relationship with everyone he met, except two small dogs who tried to attack him, and would cause him to hide behind me! He simply did not have a mean bone in his body.

Herbert loved to have his hips massaged and would wait in his bed until I got up and came to do that service. His grunts and moans made it a cherished part of my day. It was a privilege to be able to give comfort and relief to such a wonderful boy.

As time went on, Herbert's arthritis got worse and we could no longer control it, he had increased difficulties getting up, cried after walks and was less and less happy. With the sanctuary's support and guidance, I finally made the painful decision to let him go. The vet's office was so kind and generous - they were able to offer this service in the car so he would not have to go into that strange place. Herbert passed peacefully in my car on May 18, 2023.

I am crying my eyes out as I write this, but I am also so incredibly grateful to Herbert and Hallie Hill for 498 wonderful days with such a loving soul. I would not trade it for anything!! (And I will do it again)."



PS: Herbert was not a pit bull but back in 2017 I photographed any dog shelters asked me to photograph. Often these were terrier mixes that would have been considered "pit bull types" by the public. #pitbullflowerpower'



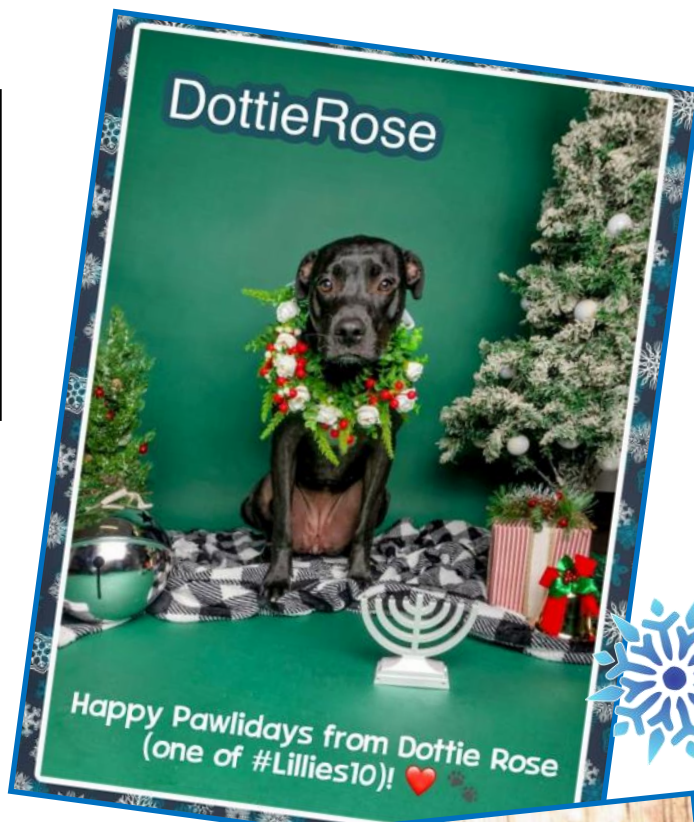
**Adoption
Pup-Dates
December, 2023**



Adoption Pup-Dates December, 2023



Rudy



Harley



Our
Adorable
Adopted
Pups
Are
“Gettin’
Their
Holiday
On!”



Welcome to Hallie Hill!



Cocoa



Paisley



Charcoal



Phineas



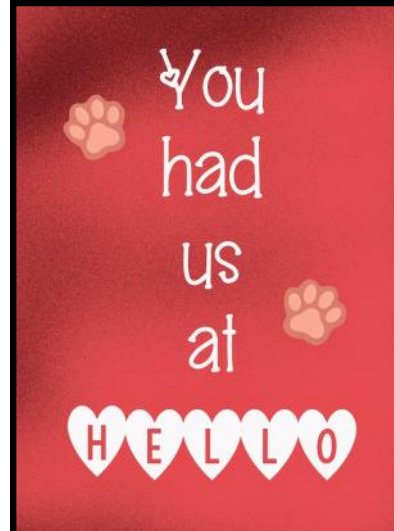
Ben



Thalia



Carly



Chico

THANK-YOU THANK-YOU THANK-YOU



**THANK YOU TO THE SUTTON FAMILY WHO
HOSTS AN ANNUAL OYSTER ROAST AND
ENCOURAGES GUESTS TO DONATE
MONETARILY OR PLACE DONATIONS UNDER
THE TREE FOR HALLIE HILL!**



**THANK YOU TO NICOLE NASTACIE
WHO HAS DONATED CARLOADS OF
TOYS AND FOOD FOR OUR ANIMALS AT
HALLIE HILL!**

**...AND A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO THE MANY PEOPLE WHO DONATED SO
GENEROUSLY DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.
THE ANIMALS OF HALLIE HILL THANK YOU !**

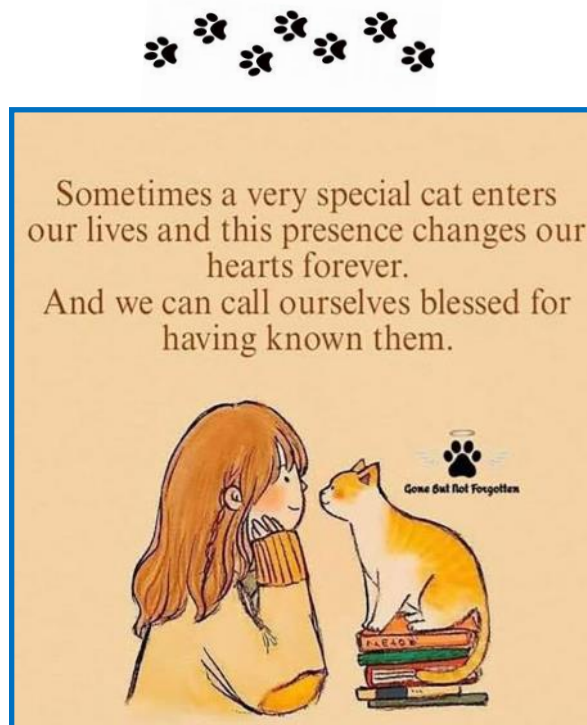


THE CAT CORNER



What
Cats
Want and
Need:
The Science
Behind
Their
Happiness!

(click the title to read!)



We are Happy at Home!



Celia thanks
Brandon Wills!



Cocoa thanks
Linda Harvey!



Roz (now Maisie)
thanks the
Loew Family!



Spam thanks the
Sifly Family!



Mike thanks the
Petersen Family!



Sheba (now Sugar
Bear) thanks the
Sutton Family!



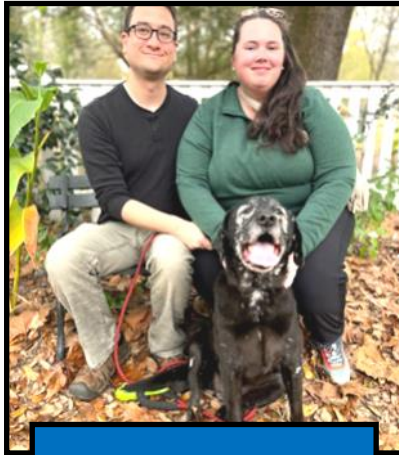
Melba thanks the
Charters Family!



Cheer and Fresca
thank Janet Lampkin!



We are Happy at Home!

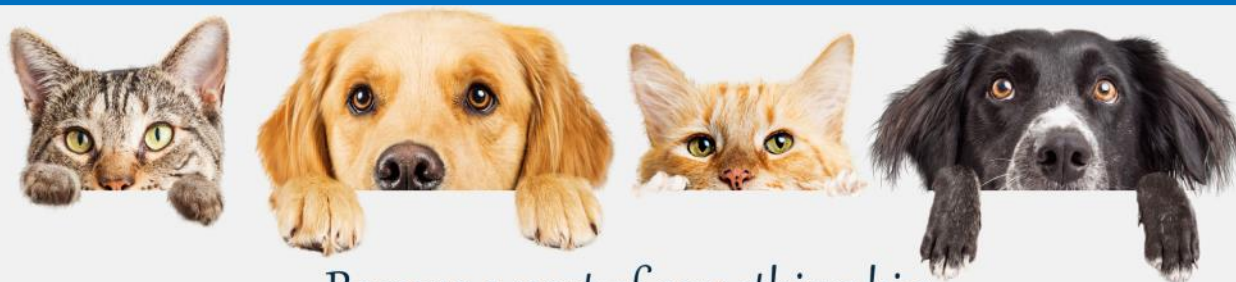


Lucy thanks the
Lazar Family!



Lil Dixie thanks
Anne Lawless





Become a part of something big...
The Hallie Hill Legacy Society!

Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary has worked tirelessly since 1988 to provide sanctuary for homeless dogs and cats.

With your help, we can continue to provide respite for animals until they are adopted or be a forever home for those in need. If you give to Hallie Hill through your will, trust, or other financial plans, you can help ensure the sanctuary continues saving the lives of homeless animals in the future.

Your generosity will provide a lifetime of love for our animals in need:
your legacy, their future.

Beautiful Ways to Give:



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Beneficiary Designations



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Join TODAY at HallieHill.com/Legacy-Society



New HHAS Merch Available!

Wear your love of Hallie Hill for the world to see!
Click HERE to purchase your Hallie Hill Merchandise!

January's Adorable Adoptables!

Go to halliehill.com and fill out an application to come out to HHAS to meet these wonderful animals!



Abby

This seven year old lady is a special gal. She is shy, but loving to her family. Abby enjoys daily routines that keep her in her familiar surroundings.



Bobby

Bobby has a face and personality everyone can love. At 8 years old, this fella can be energetic running everywhere in one minute and a complete couch potato the next.



Chloe

Chloe is a gorgeous 3 year old girl with icy blue and white eyes. She will run and jump in her enclosure, but once out on a leash, you can really get her to focus. We know Chloe will flourish in a home with a routine.



Alley

Alley is a sweet 3 year old calico who would really appreciate being in a quiet home. She is loving and friendly to her people and even with strangers if they have a treat!

*Hallie Hill
thanks
Crews Subaru
for supporting
our mission
to change the
future of the
animals in
our care!*



How Can You Help Hallie Hill? Our January Wish List!...

Consumables we need all of the time!

Trash Bags

Dry cat food

Friskies wet cat food

Dog treats and biscuits

Bottled water

Kitchen can bags

Canned dog food

Granulated ant poison

Scoopable Cat Litter

Paper Plates and Paper Towels

Swiffer mopping cloths

Laundry Detergent

Multipurpose spray cleaner

*Thank you, but at this time we
are NOT in need of
blankets or sheets!*

Check out our Hallie Hill Wishlist on Amazon.com

Check out our Hallie Hill Wishlist on Chewy.com





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Ways to Help

Donate to the MAGIC Fund

MAGIC =

Medical And Geriatric Intensive Care

The MAGIC Fund is used to cover the many medical costs that arise at the sanctuary. New arrivals require vaccinations and spay/neuter surgeries. All of the 200 animals receive monthly heart worm and flea preventative. Many animals develop orthopedic or other health problems that require surgery. Hallie Hill also has many animals that require daily medications for everything from diabetes to arthritis. Many of the senior residents need more medical interventions as they age. Your donation to this fund helps to ensure the animals get the medical attention they need to live healthy, pain-free lives.



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to make a donation!



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Say Happy Birthday With a Donation to Hallie Hill!



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January Happenings at Hallie Hill!

Channel 2 Midday News - 1/12, 1/26 at 11:50 AM

‘Quintin’s Close Ups’ - Pet of the Week - 1/9



Low Country Live - 1/10 at 10:00 AM



Fox 24 - 1/11 at 12:30 PM and 11:00 PM



Mel's Mutts - 2/6 at 6:10 AM
Good AM Charleston



THIS is Hallie Hill!....



Many thanks to Katy Roberts, of Katy Roberts Media,
for shooting and producing this wonderful video!
It is guaranteed to make you want to
visit this amazing place!



[Click here to view the video and enjoy!](#)



	<i>Pat Barber</i>	<i>Ann Igoe</i>
	<i>Helen Bradham</i>	<i>Jena Jones</i>
<u><i>Hallie</i></u>	<i>John Byrnes</i>	<i>Elio Levy</i>
<u><i>Hill</i></u>	<i>Bob DiCosola</i>	<i>Harvey Loew</i>
<u><i>Animal</i></u>	<i>Frank Farfone</i>	<i>Rachel Milstein</i>
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Mission Statement

Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary is a 501c3 organization that provides a compassionate safe-haven with quality food and medical care for dogs and cats; a temporary home for those able to be adopted, and a forever home for those in need.

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