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**Farmingville, NY** - Supervisor Ed Romaine and Councilwoman Jane Bonner have announced that the Easter Bunny will make a special appearance at the Brookhaven Animal Shelter on Saturday, March 30 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. The Easter Bunny will be hopping and hoping for new homes for all the orphaned animals this Easter weekend. Refreshments will be served and there will be a raffle for a special Easter basket. The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures with kids and pets. Visitors should bring their own cameras.

"Who better to help promote the Animal Shelter than the Easter Bunny himself," said Supervisor Romaine, "I urge everyone to visit on Saturday and consider adopting one of the wonderful pets who are in need of a loving home."

Councilwoman Bonner said "This event is another example of how the Animal Shelter comes up with creative ideas on how to find homes for our furry friends. I hope that the Easter Bunny will encourage people to take home a new four-legged family member to celebrate Easter."

Animal lovers who would like to help support the Town's efforts at the Animal Shelter can do so by making donations to Help the Animals Fund. Their mission is to prevent cruelty to animals and to provide sick, neglected and injured stray animals at the Brookhaven Animal Shelter with much needed and deserved medical care that they would otherwise not receive. This fund is supported 100% by voluntary donations, which are tax deductible. Visit [www.htaf.org](http://www.htaf.org) for more information or to donate.

The Animal Shelter is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Closed Wednesdays), Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. It is located at 300 Horseblock Road in Brookhaven, New York, 11719. For more information, please call the Brookhaven Animal Shelter and Adoption Center at 631-286-4940 or visit [www.brookhaven.org/animalshelter](http://www.brookhaven.org/animalshelter).