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Ted Williams Tunnel Kitten Update ARL Assists MA State Police to Save Kitten's Life

For the second time this summer, the Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) and Massachusetts State Police teamed up to save the life of a lost kitten. The latest collaboration happened this past Sunday, when an adorable grey kitten was spotted wandering along the I-90 Connector Tunnel in Boston.

While State Police Troopers shut down one lane of tunnel traffic, Darleen Wood, ARL's Associate Director of Law Enforcement was able to rescue the 12-week-old intact male kitten, who was then brought to ARL's Boston Animal Care and Adoption Center.

The kitten was evaluated Tuesday morning by ARL shelter veterinary staff. According to the examination notes, there was visible trauma to the kitten's left ear, as well as his tail; which was described as "necrotic and mummified due to prior trauma." Because there is a possibility that his wounds may have come as the result of an altercation with another animal, he may have to be placed into an extended quarantine period (State law mandates a 4-month quarantine for animals with wounds of unknown origin). However, ARL wants to stress that the kitten is still being evaluated.

The kitten has been vaccinated, and will be scheduled to be neutered, and to have a portion of his tail amputated.

Members of the media are invited to ARL's Boston shelter located at 10 Chandler St. between Noon-1 p.m. to get an update on this yet-to-be-named kitten, and to speak with

medical and law enforcement staff on her condition. Opportunities to get updated video and pictures of the kitten will also be available.

ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is an unwavering champion for animals in need, committed to keeping them safe and healthy in habitats and homes. Founded in 1899, ARL provides high quality veterinary care, adoption, and rescue services; while also confronting the root causes of animal cruelty and neglect through innovative community programs, police investigations, and public advocacy. In 2016, ARL served more than 17,800 animals throughout Massachusetts. ARL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. We receive no government funding and rely solely on the generosity of individuals to support programs and services that help animals in need. For more information please visit us online at www.arlboston.org; and be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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