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RE: CALL OF THE WILD: PALM BEACH ZOO AMONG TOP ZOOS IN

COUNTRY ACCORDING TO TRIPADVISOR® TRAVELERS

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NEWTON, Mass., Aug. 7, 2008: PRNewswire - TripAdvisor®, the world's largest travel community, announced the top 10 aquariums and zoos in the U.S., according to traveler popularity and TripAdvisor® editors.

Top 10 U.S. Aquariums: **1.** Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies, Gatlinburg, Tennessee; **2.** Tennessee Aquarium, Chattanooga, Tennessee; **3.** Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey, California; **4.** Ripley's Aquarium, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; **5.** Oregon Coast Aquarium, Newport, Oregon; **6.** Dallas World Aquarium, Dallas, Texas; **7.** National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium, Dubuque, Iowa; **8.** Shedd Aquarium, Chicago, Illinois; **9.** Downtown Aquarium, Denver, Colorado; **10.** Florida Aquarium, Tampa, Florida

<u>Top 10 U.S. Zoos</u>: **1.** Memphis Zoo, Memphis, Tennessee; **2.** Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, Tucson, Arizona; **3.** St. Louis Zoo, St. Louis, Missouri; **4.** Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha, Nebraska; **5.** San Diego Zoo, San Diego, California; **6.** San Diego Zoo's Wild Animal Park, Escondido, California; **7.** Miami Metrozoo, Miami, Florida; **8.** Indianapolis Zoo, Indianapolis, Indiana; **9.** Woodland Park Zoo, Seattle, Washington; **10.** Palm Beach Zoo at **Dreher Park, West Palm Beach, Florida**

"These aquariums and zoos offer wonderful learning experiences about animals and their habitats, and truly let travelers take a walk on the wild side," said Michele Perry, vice president of global communications for TripAdvisor®.



About the Palm Beach Zoo: The Palm Beach Zoo is a non-profit zoological organization located at Dreher Park in West Palm Beach, housing over 1,500 animals within 23 acres of lush tropical habitat. Its Mission is to provide an outdoor classroom of living creatures to foster awareness, appreciation and respect for the natural world.

The 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 on the Palm Beach Zoo's 1,500+ animals,

education and conservation programs, special events and annual memberships, please visit www.palmbeachzoo.org.

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