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## Alleged Cat Abuser Arrested in Long Beach

Claimed two dead cats were "defective"

**Los Angeles, CA** - Yesterday afternoon, alleged animal abuser Steven Ullery was arrested and charged with 4 felony counts of animal cruelty pursuant to penal code section 597(a). Charges stem from the alleged intentional deaths of cats living in the Ullery household.

Mr. Ullery was arrested as a result of a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Los Angeles (spcaLA) animal cruelty investigation. The Long Beach Police Department aided in bringing him into custody.

spcaLA Humane Officers were made aware of the alleged abuse when the Ullerys came to the spcaLA P.D. Pitchford Companion Animal Village & Education Center with two deceased cats, Sylvester and Oliver, claiming they were "defective."

"Since 1877, spcaLA has worked to break the cycle of violence and bring animal cruelty offenders to justice," said Madeline Bernstein, spcaLA President. "We will continue to provide that service to the people in our community as long as there are those who prey on innocent animals."

spcaLA is the only private animal welfare organization that is also Law Enforcement in the city of Los Angeles. To report animal cruelty, call the spcaLA Animal Cruelty Tip Line at 1-800-540-SPCA (7722) or report online at <a href="https://www.spcaLA.com">www.spcaLA.com</a>.



Sylvester

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