

## **Perrigo Animal Health Encourages Americans to Honor K-9 Officers During Second Annual "National Thank a Police Dog Week"**

OMAHA, Neb., April 20, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- Thousands of law enforcement K-9s put their lives on the line to protect America on a daily basis. They are usually the first officer to enter a dangerous situation, and help track and neutralize violent criminals, sniff out illegal or explosive materials and search for survivors of natural disasters.

For the second year in a row, Perrigo Animal Health, the manufacturer of PetArmor® brand products, is encouraging Americans to show their appreciation for these K-9 heroes and has declared the week of April 20, 2015, as "National Thank a Police Dog Week." People can send thanks to a K-9 officer and his human counterpart by visiting [petarmor.com/thankapolicedog](http://petarmor.com/thankapolicedog) until April 28 and clicking on a photo of their choice.

PetArmor products help improve the overall health of pets across the U.S. by providing vet-quality products that are both affordable and accessible. Dedicated to its mission of pet protection, Perrigo Animal Health is helping to ensure more K-9 officers are protected while in the line of duty. More often than not, law enforcement agencies do not have the budget to provide bullet- and stab-protective vests for their K-9 officers because each vest costs approximately \$1,000. As a result, police dogs are left unprotected while fighting crime.

Perrigo Animal Health began its partnership with Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. — a nonprofit organization that provides bullet- and stab-protective vests to police organizations nationwide — in 2013 and has since vested 50 dogs in Florida, Maryland, Michigan, Nevada, Tennessee and Texas. In 2015, the brand is donating an additional 25 vests that will benefit K-9 officers at police departments nationwide.

For more information about Perrigo Animal Health's partnership with Vested Interest in K9s, visit [petarmor.com/vested-interest](http://petarmor.com/vested-interest).

### **About Perrigo Animal Health**

Perrigo Animal Health is a division of Perrigo Company plc (NYSE: PRGO; TASE), a leading global manufacturer of over-the-counter healthcare products. Comprised of Sergeant's, SENTRY® and PetArmor® brands, Perrigo Animal Health brings quality, affordable flea and tick treatments, health and well-being solutions, and consumables for dogs and cats to grocery, mass, dollar, drug, club and pet specialty retailers. For more information, visit [perrigoanimalhealth.com](http://perrigoanimalhealth.com).

### **About Vested Interest in K9s**

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) charity located in East Taunton, Mass., whose mission is to provide bullet- and stab-protective vests for law enforcement dogs throughout the U.S. The nonprofit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially lifesaving body armor for their four-legged K-9 officers. President Sandy Marcal began working with law enforcement agencies in 2000 to coordinate efforts between various law enforcement agencies, vest sponsorships, fundraising events and the media within Massachusetts. In 2011, efforts were expanded to assist police dogs throughout the U.S. Learn more at [vik9s.org](http://vik9s.org).

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