October 1, 2019

Dear Friends of Los Angeles Zoo Keepers,

The American Association of Zoo Keepers (AAZK) is comprised of zookeepers and their associates. It provides vital professional development opportunities and conservation resources to animal care professionals from coast to coast. Since it was established in 2009, the Los Angeles chapter of AAZK has raised nearly half a million dollars for community conservation projects in Africa and Asia that are making a tangible impact in preserving wildlife and habitat. We are proud of these fundraising efforts and invite you to be a part of our success.

The Los Angeles chapter of the AAZK has been selected to host the national conference in 2020. Not only is this an honor, but it is a platform for sharing with others in our field the unique insights, knowledge, and skills that we have developed in the pursuit of our conservation mission. During the 2020 national conference, which takes place August 30–September 3, 2020, we will connect with more than 400 zoo keepers from across the country and around the world. The conference theme is “Lights, Camera, Take Action!” Caring for animals is our passion, and we hope you will take action to support us by making a tax-deductible donation or by sponsoring the 2020 conference.

To fulfill the potential of the 2020 AAZK National Conference, our fundraising goal is a minimum of $200,000 to cover average conference expenses that include audio/visual support ($30,000), transportation ($10,000), and meals ($60,000). There are many ways to demonstrate your support. Enclosed, please find a list of available sponsorship opportunities. Learn more at www.aazk2020.org.

Sincerely,

Sam Derman

Los Angeles Chapter of the American Association of Zoo Keepers
Committee Chairs for AAZK Conference 2020

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