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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

2009

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

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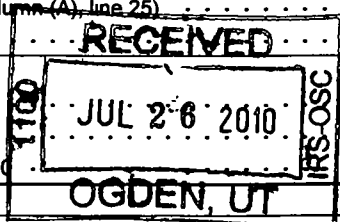
Header section A-M containing organization name (BIG CAT RESCUE CORP), address (12802 EASY STREET, TAMPA, FL 33625), principal officer (CAROLE BASKIN), and other identifying information.

Part I Summary table with columns for Revenue and Expenses, and rows 1-22 detailing financial data for 2009.

Part II Signature Block containing signatures of Carol Baskin (CEO/Founder) and Mark Weiss (Preparer), along with dates and firm information (Tax Refund Services, Inc).

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

ANNEXED TO THE 2010



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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission
TO PROVIDE THE BEST HOME WE CAN FOR THE ANIMALS IN OUR CARE AND TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF CATS THAT SUFFER THE FATE OF ABUSE, ABANDONMENT OR EXTINCTION BY TEACHING PEOPLE ABOUT THE PLIGHT OF THE CATS, BOTH IN THE WILD AND IN CAPTIVITY, AND HOW THEY CAN HELP THROUGH THEIR BEHAVIOR

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [] Yes [X] No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [] Yes [X] No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ 894,238 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 585,764)
A) PROVIDED A PERMANENT HOME FOR OVER 100 BIG CATS, MANY OF WHOM HAVE BEEN ABUSED, ABANDONED, ORPHANED OR RETIRED FROM PERFORMING ACTS. CARE INCLUDED FOOD, SHELTER, VETERINARY CARE, OPERANT CONDITIONING AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS.
B) PERFORMED ITS EDUCATIONAL MISSION BY TEACHING ABOUT THE PLIGHT OF THE BIG CATS IN CAPTIVITY AND IN THE WILD THROUGH GUIDED TOURS OF THE SANTUARY TO APPROXIMATELY 25,000 VISITORS DURING THE YEAR, THROUGH ITS WEBSITE THAT RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 1,800,000 VISITS DURING THE YEAR, THROUGH ITS MONTHLY EMAIL THAT GOES TO OVER 40,000 RECIPIENTS AND THROUGH ITS NEWSLETTER THAT GOES TO OVER 40,000 RECIPIENTS.

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 894,238

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	X	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	X	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I		X
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	X	
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations. Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		X
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	X	
11	Is the organization's answer to any of the following questions "Yes"? If so, complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	X	
	• Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI		
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.		
	• Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII		
	• Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.		
	• Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.		
	• Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.		
12	Did the organization obtain a separate, independent audited financial statement for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	X	
12A	Was the organization included in a consolidated, independent audited financial statement for the tax year? If "Yes," completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional		
		Yes	No
			X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		X
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I		X
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II		X
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III		X
17	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I		X
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	X	
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		X
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		X
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III		X
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J		X
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25		X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II		X
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		X
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties, directly or indirectly (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for definitions of "direct" and "indirect" and applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	X	
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee of the organization (or a family member) was an officer, director, trustee, or owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I		X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II		X
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I		X
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1		X
35 Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		X
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		X
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI		X
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations for Part VI, lines 11 and 19?	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U S Information Returns Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1a 3		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1b 0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a 10		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return (see instructions)	X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	X	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	X	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country. See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
c	If "Yes," to question 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	X	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		X
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	X	
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?	X	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		X
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		X
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		X
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
	10a		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
	10b		
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders		
	11a		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		
	11b		
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
	12a		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
	12b		

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1a		5	
b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
1b		4	
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	X	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		X
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		X
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		X
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		X
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		X

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
11	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990	X	
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X	
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	X	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision:		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization?	X	
	Describe the process in Schedule O. (see instructions)		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		X

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶ FL
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Own website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ▶ MARY STAIRS (813) 493-4565 4258 GOLF CLUB LANE Tampa, FL 33618

Part VIII		Statement of Revenue		(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
				Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions and	1a	Federated campaigns	1a	125,786				
		b	Membership dues	1b				
		c	Fundraising events	1c	5,900			
		d	Related organizations	1d				
		e	Government grants (contributions)	1e				
		f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	621,436			
		g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		2,000			
		h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		753,122			
Program service	2a	EDUCATIONAL TOURS	Business Code					
			900099	486,611	486,611			
	b	EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES	900099	99,153	99,153			
	c							
	d							
	e							
	f	All other program service revenue						
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		585,764				
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		35,924			35,924	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5	Royalties						
	6a	Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
				9,970				
	b	Less: rental expenses						
	c	Rental income or (loss)		9,970				
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		9,970			9,970	
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
				145,000				
	b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses		95,738				
	c	Gain or (loss)		49,262				
	d	Net gain or (loss)		49,262			49,262	
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 5,900 of contributions reported on line 1c)						
		See Part IV, line 18	a	135,801				
b	Less direct expenses	b	52,465					
c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		83,336	83,336				
9a	Gross income from gaming activities							
	See Part IV, line 19	a						
b	Less direct expenses	b						
c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	236,570					
b	Less: cost of goods sold	b	125,361					
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		111,209			111,209		
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code						
11a	PROPERTY RENT	532000		67,957	67,957			
b	GAIN ON SECURITIES	900099		9,981	9,981			
c								
d	All other revenue							
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d			77,938				
12	Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e			1,706,525	747,038	111,209	95,156	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U.S. See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U.S. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	36,924	9,844	22,567	4,513
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	211,796	159,710	33,843	18,243
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9	Other employee benefits	20,073	13,684	4,552	1,837
10	Payroll taxes	19,027	12,971	4,315	1,741
11	Fees for services (non-employees):				
a	Management				
b	Legal				
c	Accounting	4,800		4,800	
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	44,280	36,045	4,950	3,285
12	Advertising and promotion	106,487	77,555		28,932
13	Office expenses	254,780	230,629	4,735	19,416
14	Information technology	11,306	11,306		
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy				
17	Travel	1,433	1,433		
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,299	1,299		
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	39,551	39,551		
23	Insurance	4,951	4,951		
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below.)				
a	ANIMAL CARE & EDUCATION PROG	275,806	275,806		
b	REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT	46,633		46,633	
c					
d					
e					
f	All other expenses	24,791	19,454		5,337
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	1,103,937	894,238	126,395	83,304
26	Joint Costs. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet				(A)		(B)	
				Beginning of year		End of year	
A s s e t s	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing		65,544	1	167,183	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		892,261	2	1,049,313	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		81,373	3	83,150	
	4	Accounts receivable, net			4		
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L			5		
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L			6		
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7		
	8	Inventories for sale or use		74,978	8	89,444	
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			9		
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	1,466,345			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	255,290	1,144,696	10c	1,211,055
	11	Investments - publicly traded securities		196,627	11	229,776	
	12	Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11			12	15,016	
	13	Investments - program-related See Part IV, line 11			13		
	14	Intangible assets			14		
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11		943,815	15	1,148,157	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		3,399,294	16	3,993,094		
L i a b i l i t i e s	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		18,256	17	9,468	
	18	Grants payable			18		
	19	Deferred revenue			19		
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities			20		
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D			21		
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L			22		
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			23		
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			24		
	25	Other liabilities Complete Part X of Schedule D			25		
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		18,256	26	9,468	
N F u n d A s s e t a n c e r s	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.						
	27	Unrestricted net assets		3,381,038	27	3,983,626	
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets			28		
	29	Permanently restricted net assets			29		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.						
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30		
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund			31		
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32		
33	Total net assets or fund balances		3,381,038	33	3,983,626		
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		3,399,294	34	3,993,094		

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		X
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	X	
c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	X	
d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a consolidated basis, separate basis, or both		
	<input type="checkbox"/> separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> both consolidated and separate basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?		

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Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2005, (b) 2006, (c) 2007, (d) 2008, (e) 2009, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3; 5 The portion of total contributions by each person; 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2005, (b) 2006, (c) 2007, (d) 2008, (e) 2009, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources; 9 Net income from unrelated business activities; 10 Other income; 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10; 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc; 13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2009; 15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14; 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2009; 16b 33 1/3% support test - 2008; 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2009; 17b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2008; 18 Private foundation.

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	281,783	479,305	607,057	706,468	751,345	2,825,958
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise, sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose	754,960	837,322	933,427	932,486	958,135	4,416,330
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	1,036,743	1,316,627	1,540,484	1,638,954	1,709,480	7,242,288
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						7,242,288

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6	1,036,743	1,316,627	1,540,484	1,638,954	1,709,480	7,242,288
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	100,506	85,079	104,552	82,792	113,862	486,791
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b	100,506	85,079	104,552	82,792	113,862	486,791
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on	108,227	58,926	57,118	64,940	137,170	426,381
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						8,155,460

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	88.80 %
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	88.17 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	5.97 %
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	6.42 %

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

20 Private Foundation: If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

▶ Complete if the organization is described below.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations. Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
- 2 Political expenditures ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours _____

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total of direct and indirect exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
- 5 State the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

- A Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group.
 B Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures

(The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)

	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th>The lobbying nontaxable amount is :</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is :	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is :													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 2a through 2f on page 4.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) Total
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroot non-taxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a Volunteers?	X		
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?		X	
c Media advertisements?		X	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?	X		9,200
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?	X		
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		X	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?	X		
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means?	X		1,299
i Other activities? If "Yes," describe in Part IV		X	
j Total. Add lines 1c through 1i			10,499
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		X	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

	Yes	No
1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3 Did the organization agree to carryover lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, line 3 is answered "Yes."

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2 Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a Current year	2a	
b Carryover from last year	2b	
c Total	2c	
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; and Part II-B, line 1i.

Also, complete this part for any additional information

Activities to influence legislation (Part II-B, lines 1a - 1h)

TRAVEL EXPENSE TO WASHINGTON DC TO LOBBY

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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Attach to Form 990. See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization: BIG CAT RESCUE CORP; Employer identification number: 59-3330495

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: Total number at end of year, Aggregate contributions to (during year), Aggregate grants from (during year), Aggregate value at end of year, and two questions about donor advisement.

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Form with multiple sections: 1. Purpose(s) of conservation easements (checkboxes for public use, habitat, open space, historic area, structure); 2. Conservation easement details (table for 2a-2d); 3. Modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated easements; 4. States where property is located; 5. Written policy regarding monitoring; 6. Staff and volunteer hours; 7. Expenses incurred; 8. Section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and (ii) requirements; 9. Reporting requirements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8

Form with sections: 1a. Elected not to report works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets; 1b. Elected to report works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets with amounts; 2. Received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain with amounts.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)
a Public exhibition
b Scholarly research
c Preservation for future generations
d Loan or exchange programs
e Other
4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV.
5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

Part IV Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?
b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table:
Table with columns: Amount, 1c Beginning balance, 1d Additions during the year, 1e Distributions during the year, 1f Ending balance
2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?
b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10

Table with 6 columns: (a) Current Year, (b) Prior Year, (c) Two Years Back, (d) Three Years Back, (e) Four Years Back. Rows include: 1a Beginning of year balance, b Contributions, c Investment earnings or losses, d Grants or scholarships, e Other expenditures for facilities and programs, f Administrative expenses, g End of year balance.

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as:
a Board designated or quasi-endowment %
b Permanent endowment %
c Term endowment %
3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
(i) unrelated organizations
(ii) related organizations
b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?
4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Investments - Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Cost or other basis (investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Depreciation, (d) Book value. Rows include: 1a Land, b Buildings, c Leasehold improvements, d Equipment, e Other, Total. Add lines 1a-1e. (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

Table with 10 rows and 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Amount. Total revenue is 1,706,525 and total expenses are 1,103,937, resulting in an excess of 602,588.

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e). Total revenue per audited statements is 1,707,925. Adjustments include net unrealized gains (1,400) and investment expenses not included (1,400), resulting in a total revenue of 1,706,525.

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e). Total expenses per audited statements is 1,105,337. Adjustments include donated services (1,400) and investment expenses not included (1,400), resulting in total expenses of 1,103,937.

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4; Part X; Part XI, line 8; Part XII, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Endowment funds intended uses (Part V, line 4)

ENDOWMENT FUNDS ARE INTENDED TO PROVIDE INVESTMENT INCOME FOR LONG TERM CARE OF THE CATS

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events Add col (a) through col (c)
		GALA (event type)	(event type)	(total number)	
R e v e n u e	1	Gross receipts	141,701		141,701
	2	Less: Charitable contributions	5,900		5,900
	3	Gross revenue (line 1 minus line 2)	135,801		135,801
D i r e c t E x p e n s e s	4	Cash prizes			
	5	Non-cash prizes	4,350		4,350
	6	Rent/facility costs	42,770		42,770
	7	Food and beverages			
	8	Entertainment			
	9	Other direct expenses	5,345		5,345
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶			(52,465)
	11	Net income summary. Combine lines 3 and 10 in column (d) ▶			83,336

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (Add col (a) through col (c))
		1	Gross revenue		
D i r e c t E x p e n s e s	2	Cash prizes			
	3	Non-cash prizes			
	4	Rent/facility costs			
	5	Other direct expenses			
	6	Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No
	7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶			()
	8	Net gaming income summary. Combine lines 1 and 7 in column (d) ▶			

	Yes	No
9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: _____		
a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states?	9a	
b If "No," Explain: _____		
10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?	10a	
b If "Yes," Explain: _____		
11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?	11	
12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?	12	

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

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Transactions with Interested Persons

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38b or 40b.**

▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.**

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501(c)(4) organizations only).
Complete if organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Description of transaction	(c) Corrected?	
			Yes	No

2 Enter the amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 ▶ \$ _____

3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization ▶ \$ _____

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a

(a) Name of interested person and purpose	(b) Loan to or from the organization?		(c) Original principal amount	(d) Balance due	(e) In default?		(f) Approved by board or committee?		(g) Written agreement?	
	To	From			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No

Total ▶ \$ _____

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of grant or type of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
JAMIE MURDOCK	DAUGHTER OF CEO	37,611	EMPLOYEE		X
VERNON STAIRS	FATHER OF CEO	53,718	EMPLOYEE		X

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

BIG CAT RESCUE CORP

Supplemental Information to Form 990

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990.

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01. Officer, directors, etc. family relationship (Part VI, line 2)

DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT JAMIE MURDOCK IS THE DAUGHTER OF FOUNDER AND CEO CAROLE BASKIN, AND

DIRECTOR AND TREASURER HOWARD BASKIN IS MARRIED TO FOUNDER AND CEO CAROLE BASKIN.

DIRECTOR DR. ELIZABETH WYNN IS EMPLOYED BY EHRlich ANIMAL HOSPITAL WHO PROVIDED VETERINARY

SERVICES OF LESS THAN \$10,000/YEAR TO BIG CAT RESCUE AT A RATE AT OR BELOW THEIR NORMAL

RATES.

02. Form 990 governing body review (Part VI, line 11)

FORM 990 IS PROVIDED TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE TREASURER REVIEWS

FORM 990 WITH THE BOARD AT THE FIRST MEETING AFTER COMPLETION

03. Conflict of interest policy compliance (Part VI, line 12c)

THE TREASURER REVIEWS THE DETAIL TRIAL BALANCE SHOWING PAYMENTS TO ALL VENDORS AND AT THE

BOARD MEETING WHERE THE 990 IS REVIEWED ASKS THE CEO AND DIRECTORS IF THEY HAVE ENGAGED IN

ANY CONTRACTS, TRANSACTIONS OR RELATIONSHIPS THAT COULD GIVE RISE TO THE APPEARANCE OF A

CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

04. CEO, executive director, top management comp (Part VI, line 15a)

THE QUESTION IS NOT APPLICABLE TO THE CEO BECAUSE SHE IS NOT COMPENSATED.

05. Other officer or key employee compensation (Part VI, line 15b)

THE SALARY OF THE PRESIDENT IS WELL BELOW THE AVERAGE COMPENSATION FOR MANAGERS OF

SANCTUARIES WHEN THOSE WERE LAST REVIEWED

06. Governing documents, etc, available to public (Part VI, line 19)

THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BYLAWS, AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, FORM 990S AND

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990.

Schedule O (Form 990) 2009

Application for Extension of Time to File an Exempt Organization Return

▶ **File a separate application for each return.**

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part I and check this box
 - If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only Part II (on page 2 of this form).
- Do not complete Part II unless you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.**

Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed)

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension - check this box and complete Part I only

All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Electronic Filing (e-file). Generally, you can electronically file Form 8868 if you want a 3-month automatic extension of time to file one of the returns noted below (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) However, you cannot file Form 8868 electronically if (1) you want the additional (not automatic) 3-month extension or (2) you file Forms 990-BL, 6069, or 8870, group returns, or a composite or consolidated Form 990-T. Instead, you must submit the fully completed and signed page 2 (Part II) of Form 8868. For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile and click on e-file for Charities & Nonprofits.

Type or print <small>File by the due date for filing your return See instructions</small>	Name of Exempt Organization BIG CAT RESCUE CORP	Employer identification number 59-3330495
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions 12802 EASY STREET	
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions. TAMPA, FL 33625	

Check type of return to be filed (file a separate application for each return)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (corporation) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 4720 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-BL | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 5227 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-EZ | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-T (trust other than above) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 6069 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990-PF | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 1041-A | <input type="checkbox"/> Form 8870 |

● The books are in the care of ▶ **MARY STAIRS 4258 GOLF CLUB LANE Tampa, FL 33618**

Telephone No ▶ **813-493-4565** FAX No ▶ _____

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____. If this is for the whole group, check this box If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension will cover

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 08-16, 2010, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for

▶ calendar year 2009 or

▶ tax year beginning _____, 20____, and ending _____, 20____

2 If this tax year is for less than 12 months, check reason Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits See instructions	3a	\$
b If this application is for Form 990-PF or 990-T, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$
c Balance Due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a Include your payment with this form, or, if required, deposit with FTD coupon or, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System) See instructions.	3c	\$

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.