

# The International Cat Association

*awards this*

***Outstanding Cattery Certificate***

*to the*

**Maineconnection**

Bismarck, North Dakota

**\*34689\***

*owned/registered by*

**APRIL BISHOP**



*This cattery was inspected by licensed veterinarian, **Dr. Brian Frenette, DVM**, on the **19<sup>th</sup>** day of **May, 2023** and was rated *Excellent* according to the guidelines approved by the Association and found in the TICA Outstanding Cattery Program. This certificate relates to the physical conditions of the subject cattery at the time of inspection. It is not intended to nor does it guarantee the physical condition or health of any cat or kitten housed in this cattery or owned by the breeder, nor is it an endorsement of the breeder.*

*(This certificate is renewable on an annual basis, and may be revoked if cattery conditions are reported to have declined; or if any complaint cannot be resolved; or if three or more formal complaints are received by the Executive Office in a 12 month period.)*

DATE: May 19, 2023



*Frances Cardona*  
Executive Secretary

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*in conjunction with the  
Outstanding Cattery Program  
certifies that*

## Maineconnection

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**APRIL BISHOP**

*has agreed to abide by the following  
Outstanding Cattery CODE OF ETHICS*

*I am and will remain a member in good standing of The International Cat Association, Inc. (TICA) and have a TICA registered cattery.*

*I will breed discriminately, and only if I can find appropriate homes for my kittens.*

*I will place kittens only in homes that I believe will provide a life-long commitment of love, appreciation, and responsible care.*

*Any kitten or cat sold as a pet/companion, will be sold under the following conditions:*

- ◆ *I will guarantee that the kitten/cat is in good health at the time of sale.*
- ◆ *I will urge the purchaser to have the kitten/cat examined by the purchaser's own veterinarian within a few days of purchase to confirm its good health.*
- ◆ *I will explain to the purchaser the dangers of an outdoor environment.*
- ◆ *I will provide a written sales agreement that describes all the terms of the sale. I will abide by my own sales agreement.*
- ◆ *I will make every effort to spay/neuter every kitten/cat prior to leaving. If this should not be possible, I will require that the kitten be spayed or neutered NO LATER THAN 12 months of age and not be allowed to produce any offspring. I will provide the TICA registration certificate and/or pedigree for the kitten/cat ONLY after I have received written evidence from a licensed veterinarian that the kitten/cat has been altered.*
- ◆ *I will encourage the purchaser to contact me if the purchaser has any questions and I will respond in a timely manner.*
- ◆ *I will not release a kitten until it has been inoculated at least twice against the following: Panleukopenia, Feline Rhinotracheitis, and Calicivirus. I also may choose to give other vaccinations.*
- ◆ *I understand if the Executive Office (EO) receives three (3) formal complaints in any single twelve (12) month period, the Outstanding Cattery Certificate will be suspended and I will not be allowed to reapply for a twelve (12) month period.*
- ◆ *I will respond in a timely fashion to any inquiries from the EO or my Regional Director regarding my cattery, my cats or any cats/kittens that have been placed as pets or with any other breeder catteries.*
- ◆ *I will provide a signed Cattery Evaluation Form, with a passing score and a signed Outstanding Cattery Code of Ethics annually (May 1 - April 30).*

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