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Her Name Is Hope Swinimer

Hope For Wildlife-Hello Beautiful Life

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USPA NEWS - In it's first year, the center made a remarkable impact, taking in around 200 animals, a fivefold increase from the 40 animals Hope was caring for during the two years prior, marking a significant step forward in its mission to make a difference.

Officials from the Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources arrive at Hope's home after learning about her activities and reveal a startling piece of information: she requires a special permit to proceed.

Here's what exacerbated the situation: that permit did not exist. Nova Scotia has never licensed private wildlife rehabilitation before. There was no form to fill out, no process to follow, no path forward at all.

Most people would view that was a government directive to halt their efforts. Hope, however, seized the opportunity to collaborate with DNR officials, leveraging her rehabilitator's license from the California-based International Wildlife Rehabilitation Council to proactively develop the necessary paperwork.

Hope had a life-changing opportunity in Ontario which offered a steady, funded, and licensed wildlife rehabilitation job. However, she chose to turn it down, driven by a strong connection to her roots in Nova Scotia, and a sense of purpose that she couldn't find elsewhere.

When Hope received her permit, she seized the opportunity to make a meaningful impact, establishing the Eastern Shore Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre in the picturesque coastal stretch of Winnie's Way in Seaforth, Nova Scotia.

This is only the first part of the story. Please join us in exploring the work of this incredibly inspiring lady and her selflessly dedicated team as they continue to care for Nova Scotia's sick and injured wildlife.
This article is the first in a 3 part series.

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