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A TIGER'S FIRST CHRISTMAS

December 23, 2015 – *Jacksonville, FL* – Jacksonville's most adorable newcomer will celebrate her first Christmas this year and the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens (JZG) is asking for your help!

The 8-pound tiger cub, whose name is available for sponsorship, is at the rambunctious age of one month and growing bigger each day. She now needs enrichment items to strengthen her teeth and muscles. Items from wind chimes wind socks and Boomer balls to bungee cords will promote playful instincts and challenge her mind. These toys can be purchased by anyone and shipped directly to the Zoo via JZG's Amazon Wish List. Visit www.jacksonvillezoo.org/wishlist today to be a part of the cub's first Christmas.

The birth of this cub is the first at JZG in over three decades and an important addition to the critically endangered population. There are only an estimated 400 Sumatran tigers in the wild.

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About Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens

For over 100 years, the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens has aimed to inspire the discovery and appreciation of wildlife through innovative experiences in a caring environment. Starting in 1914 with an animal collection of one red deer fawn, the Zoo now has more than 2,000 rare and exotic animals and 1,000 species of plants, boasting the largest botanical garden in Northeast Florida. The Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens is a nonprofit organization and an accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums. For more information, visit JacksonvilleZoo.org.