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## Zoo animals play with soccer balls to cheer on Sounders FC #BuiltforThis!

WHAT:

As the Seattle Sounders FC head to the MLS Cup Playoffs for an 11th straight season, Woodland Park Zoo's team roster shows they are also #BuiltforThis! Grizzlies, wolves, river otters, and penguins will give their Full 90 as they kick, tap or dribble Sounders soccer balls.

See photos of 2014's soccer drill at Woodland Park Zoo:

https://blog.zoo.org/2014/11/ready-to-rave-for-seattle-sounders-fc.html

The soccer balls for the animals are a part of the zoo's excellent animal care program to help enrich the lives of the zoo's animals. The safe activities help encourage natural animal behavior, keep animals mentally and physically stimulated and provide extraordinary experiences for zoo visitors.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 16, 11:00-11:45 a.m.

> Grizzlies: 11:00 River otters: 11:15 Wolves: 11:25 Penguins: 11:45

WHERE: Meet PR staff at the West Entrance at Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55th & N.

> 56th Sts. Current paving in the Otter Lot has significantly reduced the amount of available parking. If full, park in the Penguin Lot at N. 55th St. & Phinney

Ave. N. or Bear Lot off N. 59th St. & Phinney Ave. N.

INFO: For more information or to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call

206.548.2500.

Zoo hours October 1-April 30: 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. daily.

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www.zoo.org/graydays for information.

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