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My name is Noah, I am eight years old and I love animals. Ever since I was a baby I have loved all types of animals and even want to be a veterinarian when I grow up. My family nicknamed me "Noah Bear", but I love dogs the most. I was so happy when I had to think of a holiday just for animals. I created this holiday because I want to celebrate all species of animals and I wanted them to play their minigames and have fun!

The Olympics For Animals is going to be celebrated on May 27th, every year, because it is in the summer time with great weather. It will start at 9:00am and will end at 7:00pm. Each year animals can gather at their local city park to participate in the games. Even if you do not own a pet you can come to watch. Every kind of animal will participate in different activities. During the events, they can drink when they are hungry or want a snack.

Here are a few examples of the fun events that will take place: the dogs will play soccer. The soccer game will be a couple of hours. The cats will have a climbing competition on trees for however long they want. Winner will be who climbs the highest! The snakes will have a relay race, four snakes per team and unlimited teams. The guinea pigs are going to have a challenge to see who can run the longest inside of a hamster wheel. The hamsters will do the same thing as the guinea pigs. There will be many more events for all animals! There will even be a place for animals and people to watch all of the competitions take place.

After the events finish, awards will be passed out to all of the winners in every category. Awards include new toys to play with, their most favorite treat and a trophy. One of the most exciting parts to me about this holiday is that the animals will be together in the same area every year! Most days, none of the species are in the same places. They most definitely aren't working together, playing together or cheering each other on. At least for one day of the year, they are realizing that they have more in common than they think. Hopefully they make a lot of new friends each year at the celebration and learn to not judge anyone and that your best friend might be someone you least expect so be kind to every animal, human, anyone that you meet!