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FRESNO CHAFFEE ZOO ANNOUNCES NAMES OF LION CUBS

FRESNO (January 17, 2024) – Fresno Chaffee Zoo is happy to announce the two lion cubs, a male and female, have been named. The female cub has been named “Asali” which means honey in Swahili. The male cub’s name was voted on by the community and with over 4 thousand votes has been named “Taraj”. Taraj means hope and faith in Swahili.

Both lion cubs were born in early November to mother “Zamaya” who is a first-time mom and 11 years old. Mom and cubs are doing well and will continue to be monitored behind the scenes by the Zoo’s Animal and Veterinary teams.

Guests visiting the Zoo now have an opportunity to see a live video of the lion behind the scenes from a TV display at the covered lion habitat viewing area on Tembo Trail in African Adventure. An official announcement of when the new additions to the Zoo’s lion pride will be out on habitat for the public to see will be announced on the Zoo’s social media.

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