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It is with great sadness and heavy hearts we announce the untimely passing of Elite Hanoverian stallion Fabuleux. On March 29th, Fabuleux was rushed to Hagyard Equine Medical Institute in Lexington, KY for emergency colic surgery. Following eight days of intensive recuperative 24-hour care with steady improvement, a sudden decline in his condition indicated a second exploratory abdominal surgery which revealed irreparable damage giving no choice but humane euthanasia. We would like to extend our gratitude to internists Dr. Nathan Slovis, surgeons Dr. Robert Hunt and Dr. Dwayne Rodgerson and their medical and surgical teams for their expert and compassionate care of Fabuleux during this time of intensive veterinary care.

We would like to thank Fabuleux's breeders Klaus and Inge Kuhn as well as Jens and Suzanne Meyer who introduced us to Gestüt Hoeftehof, where Fabuleux competed successfully with rider Holga Finken.

After a six year search for an exceptional stallion to improve upon the North American mare base, we purchased and imported Fabuleux with high expectations of his exceptional performance genetics, quality of conformation, movement and rideability. There was immediate interest among North American breeders which has continued over the years as his offspring have more than exceeded all expectations. Fabuleux's offspring are exceptionally consistent, not only in their attractive appearance and impressive gaits but are lauded for their extreme trainability and uncomplicated natures.

We would like to thank the breeders across the U.S. and Canada who wholeheartedly supported Fabuleux while we were honored to have him at Bridlewood Farm over the past nine years. The loss of this stallion will forever leave a void in our lives. Fabuleux will live on in the hearts of his many sons and daughters who will continue to carry on his legacy and in the memories of those fortunate to have known him.