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## **CATS ILLUSTRATED**

## **Doctors are surgically removing Harvey's tumor!**



As of last night, surgeons are surgically removing Harvey's tumor. Currently, there are 3 surgeons in the room with Harvey. North didn't want to watch Harvey's belly being cut open, and he definitely didn't want to see the tumor. The surgery has been going on for 6 hours now, and doctors have informed North that all is going to plan. Also, the doctors are working on a medicine to get Harvey up and moving again. This relieved North, but he was not happy when the doctors said that the surgery would be another 3 hours, at least. Cats aren't quite as surgically advanced as humans, so a 4 - 5 hour surgery for a human might be more like a 9 - 10 hour surgery for cats.

"After Harvey's surgery is complete, I will have to monitor him for a

Image above - Harvey, right before the surgery.

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month to make sure that all is well," says
Makenna, "Fortunately, I am a dietary scientist
so I can also monitor what he eats as well.
However, it's going to be hard to change his diet
when Harvey eats more dessert than food. No
more "mix ups" between yogurt and ice cream,
no more sneaking an extra cup of sugar into a
waffle, and definitely no more soda."

As of 6:00 A.M., Harvey's tumor was removed. All of Harvey's friends and family took a deep breath, and relaxed. However, the cut wasn't sealed yet. Sealing the cut would take another 2 hours, because it would be bad if the cut got infected. But now that the tumor was out, Harvey would be okay. That is good news for all cats, especially the ones that know and love Harvey. Now, the next big issue cats are thinking about is how Rudy is the only patient still sick with the mutated COVID-19 virus. Many of the cats in the waiting room near Harvey's ward have gravitated nearer to Rudy now that they know that the tumor is out of Harvey's system. Right now, North is getting some well

needed rest. He has been up all night pacing the lobby of the hospital and spending way too much money at the vending machine for soda and snacks to keep him awake. However, North has asked Makenna to wake him up as soon as Harvey's cut is sealed up. This happened around 7:30 A.M., and like North said. Makenna woke him up right then.



Image above - North, anxiously waiting for news about Harvey and his tumor.

"Now, I can take a deep breath and think to myself, It's going to be all right."

- MAKENNA, WHO ALSO NEEDS TO SLEEP AFTER BEING AWAKE ALL NIGHT Still bleary eyed, North ran into Harvey's room and watched as doctors administered a shot that was supposed to get Harvey out of his coma. North waited for 10 minutes, and then finally, Harvey's eyes popped open. He blinked once, looked at North's loving face, and then began to speak. However, at that very moment, a doctor rushed in, and shouted something that North didn't understand, "It was a teaspoon, not a tablespoon!"

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