***Seattle Dogs Homeless Program Adoption Agreement***

### THIS ADOPTION AGREEMENT (the “Agreement”) between Seattle Dogs and the undersigned (“Adopter”), establishes the terms for adoption and post-adoption care necessary to provide an appropriate home for an animal. These requirements are based on Seattle Dogs continuing commitment to see that all rescued animals are well matched to their adopting family/owner.

### While Seattle Dogs makes all reasonable efforts to ensure that each animal is suitable for adoption, we cannot assume responsibility for the accuracy of pre-adoption information regarding the temperament or health condition of any animal. Persons adopting animals through Seattle Dogs assume full responsibility for pre-adoption evaluation, as well as post-adoption expenses or liabilities related to such animals. Seattle Dogs determines the age, breed(s), & full grown size of each animal based on the characteristics that we see & information that we have, however we cannot guarantee these determinations. Please note adoption fees are non-refundable.

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| Name of Animal: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Age (actual or estimated): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Adoption fee $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Spayed/Neutered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

### Adopter promises and agrees to the following conditions: To keep this animal in Adopter’s personal possession, provide proper and sufficient food, water, shelter, grooming, and humane treatment at all times.

1. Not to sell, trade, transfer ownership, or abandon this animal in any way, but to notify Seattle Dogs Homeless Program if it becomes necessary to relinquish custody of the animal. If Seattle Dogs is able to take the animal back, the Adopter will be responsible for delivering the animal to Seattle Dogs.
2. To maintain this animal as an indoor house pet and family companion. (The animal will not be maintained outside on a continuous basis as a yard dog, in a basement, garage, or outbuilding) Adopter will not use the animal for medical or any other experimental purposes, breeding, or any unlawful competition or exhibition.
3. To ensure that when outside and unattended, the animal is in a secure fenced yard. To never allow him or her to run loose while on outings. The animal will never be chained or tied while unattended, whether indoors or outdoors.  
     
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4. To refrain from transporting this animal in the open bed of a pickup truck or similar vehicle, unless enclosed in a properly secured crate or kennel.
5. To procure any veterinary care at once if the animal becomes sick or injured. To keep current on all vaccinations against rabies, distemper, parvo, corona and kennel cough viruses for dogs. To follow through with continued flea/tick treatment as directed by a veterinarian. To have the dog spayed or neutered by 6 months of age. (see # 11)
6. Seattle Dogs maintains a registered microchip with your current information kept on file. In addition, you must notify us if you move or change your number and provide the dog with a current ID tag secured to a collar which will be worn at all times.
7. To obey all Animal Control regulations governing the area in which Adopter lives, and to license this animal according to such regulation.
8. Seattle Dogs may conduct an ongoing review of this adoption and may follow-up on any complaints or reports, including an examination of the animal and its living conditions in order to protect the welfare of the animal throughout its life. Adopter further understands and agrees that if he or she fails to satisfactorily uphold the terms of this Agreement, or if any misrepresentations have been made to obtain this animal, Seattle Dogs may terminate this Agreement, with or without notice, and may demand the surrender of the animal immediately, without refund to Adopter of any portion of the adoption fee.
9. Adopter understands that Seattle Dogs cannot be responsible for the accuracy of pre-adoption information concerning the animal’s habits, temperament or physical condition. As such, Adopter assumes full responsibility for evaluation of this animal BEFORE agreeing to adopt it.   
     
   10.All dogs are spayed or neutered prior to adoption. In the event we have not done so due to age or illness, you the adopter hereby agrees to have this procedure done by 6 months of age, at your expense. Adopter hereby agrees to release all vet records upon demand and have the veterinary email proof of spay or neuter or a medical explanation as to why this can’t be done. If you, the adopter fails to do the spay or neuter, or fail to provide the requested information you will hereby forfeit your adoption, return the dog to Seattle Dogs Homeless Program without refund of any adoption fees and be charged civilly with breech of contract in the County Court in which you reside the sum of $1500 plus all court costs and filing fees.  
     
     
     
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#### *Waiver of Liability and Indemnification*

#### Seattle Dogs Homeless Program *makes no representations or warranties, expressed or implied, about the above-identified animal’s habits, temperament, physical condition or suitability for adoption in this instance.* Seattle Dog*s shall not be liable for, and is hereby relieved from, all financial or legal responsibility for medical or any other expenses incurred by the above-identified animal at any time following adoption.*

#### *Also,* Seattle Dogs *shall not be liable for, and is hereby relieved from, all liability for any damage, expenses, causes of action, fines, suits, demands, judgments or claims of any nature whatsoever arising from or by reason of any damage to property or injury to any persons caused in whole or in part by the above-identified animal placed with Adopter.*

#### *Adopter hereby agrees to protect, indemnify and hold* Seattle Dogs *harmless against all of the aforesaid damages or liabilities caused by or related to the above-identified animal.*

#### Note: for purposes of this Agreement, the term “Adopter” means the undersigned, his or her family, friends and any third parties allowed or directed by Adopter to possess or provide care for the animal. Adopter hereby assumes full responsibility for compliance by these persons with this Agreement.

#### Adopter affirms that he/she is at least eighteen years of age and fully understands the contractual obligations under this Agreement. Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Adopter’s Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Adopter’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
  
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Adopter’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Seattle Dogs Representative Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
Seattle Dogs Representative Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
  
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