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FOSTER-TO-ADOPT CONTRACT AKA "TAKE A CHANCE ON ME"

This 7-day Foster-to-Adopt Contract ("Contract") is entered into this ____ day of _____ 2013, by and between Knine Rescue, Inc. ("KRI"), a Maryland 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, and the foster applicant and co-applicant (if appropriate) identified below, hereinafter the ("Foster Home"), for the provision of foster care of the pet identified below, beginning on the date of this Contract.

I, _____ agree to foster _____ for KRI for 7 days beginning _____ ("Foster Period"). I understand that KRI will hold my adoption donation fee for the 7 day Foster Period. On the last day of the Foster Period (7th day) or before, I will instruct KRI to cash or destroy my adoption donation fee. Also, on the last day of the Foster Period (7th day) or before, I will return the dog to the care of KRI should I choose not to adopt it.

By executing this contract, I hereby agree that on the expiration of this Contract, on the 8th day, the Contract incorporates by reference all provisions of the KRI Adoption Contract, all terms of which are listed above the signature block of this Contract.

To ensure these objectives are met, KRI and the Foster Home agree to the following:

- All information known about this pet's medical history will be explained to the Foster Home. Occasionally, a pet may have an undiagnosed health problem at the time of fostering. If diagnosis of such a health problem occurs after the date of this Contract, and the Foster Home is unwilling/unable to continue foster care for the pet, he/she will return the pet to KRI immediately.
- This pet's known behaviors have been discussed with the Foster Home; however, an animal's behavior is not completely predictable. Foster Home assumes full responsibility for the care and management of this animal and expressly waives the right to hold KRI liable for any behavior problem, damage, or other incident that may occur.
- This pet will not be kept on leased/rented property where a "NO PETS" policy is in force.
- KRI will absorb the cost of all routine medical care and treatment needed by the animal, including at least yearly medical checkups and vaccinations recommended by a veterinarian, spay/neuter, and preventative heartworm medication during the Foster period. KRI will absorb all required emergency care. Foster Home, however, agrees to take pet to specific veterinarian directed by representative of KRI. Costs of medical or other care that is not authorized by a representative of KRI will be borne by the Foster Home.
- Administrative costs incurred by KRI include an insurance program/general liability insurance policy.

The Foster Home agrees:

- The above pet will be cared for at all times with proper shelter, food and water.
- To transport the animal for proper veterinary care, to one of our partner veterinarians, which includes but is not limited to: annual vaccinations for DHLPP, Rabies, and regular fecal checks and heartworm checks and preventative. Heartworm preventative must be administered year round. Flea and tick preventative must be administered year round as well.
- The Foster Home will be held responsible for unapproved expenditures or treatment by a vet that is not partnered with KRI.
- To provide daily exercise and attention. The pet is to be exercised on a leash or in a fenced yard--never left to roam loose and never chained.
- The pet will be kept in the house on the grounds of the Foster Home and will not be allowed off-leash in an unfenced area.
- The pet is to be crate trained, and will not be left unsupervised with other pets or children.
- If a crate belonging to KRI has been loaned to the Foster Home, it must be returned when the Foster Home decides to discontinue fostering. Failure to return the crate will result in a charge of \$100 to the Foster Home.
- Foster Home is encouraged to affix to the pet an identification tag giving the Foster Home's address and phone number.
- The pet will be adopted to a permanent home only under the supervision of KRI to a home pre-approved by KRI (i.e., applicant has been approved through our adoption process, outlined in our Adoption Center on www.tarashouse.net).
- The Foster Home will contact a KRI representative at regular intervals to report on the status of the pet. At minimum, fosters must report to representative of KRI at weekly intervals. More frequent reports are encouraged.
- This pet will not be used for research purposes or as a working animal.
- The Foster Home agrees to obey all applicable laws regarding custody of animals and to provide pet with a safe collar.
- No SHOCK COLLARS are to be used at any time.
- To allow KRI to visit Foster Home to ensure compliance with this Contract.
- The pet will remain the property of KRI and will be surrendered immediately upon request to any representative of KRI.
- Non-compliance with any of the above provisions is considered a breach of contract, and I give my permission for an agent or representative of KRI to remove the pet from my premises, and entry shall not constitute a trespass upon the premises occupied.
- To return this pet to KRI in the event that the Foster Home is no longer able to care for it. The pet will, under NO circumstances, be abandoned, given away, or turned in to any other "animal shelter" or rescue.
- The Foster Home may end this Contract at any time, but **must** give KRI at least seven (4) days to make other foster arrangements and let you know where to take the dog. Any non-emergency boarding costs incurred during this period are the responsibility of the Foster Home.
- All donations connected with the adoption of the pet(s) will be sent directly to a representative of KRI.
- To pay the costs, including attorney's fees, of KRI if action must be taken against the Foster Home or his/her representative to enforce any of the terms of this Contract.
- KRI is not responsible for any actions of the pet after the date of this Contract.
- The Foster Home accepts responsibility for any and all events that occur in connection with the fostering of a KRI pet(s). The Foster Home agrees to release and indemnify KRI from any and all claims, known and unknown, now or hereafter, arising in connection with the pet(s). The Foster Home agrees to indemnify and hold harmless KRI and its members or representatives against any and all claims for any injury or property damage to the adopter or anyone else.
- I have read KRI's policies and agree to act in accordance with these policies while I am fostering a KRI pet(s).
- I am 18 years of age or older, and fully understand the obligations of this Contract.
- I certify that I own my own home, or have explicit, written permission from my landlord or management company permitting me to foster the pet.
- I certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct.

KRI ADOPTION CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS, INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE EFFECTIVE ON THE 8TH DAY FROM DATE IN PARAGRAPH 1, ON PAGE 1 OF THIS DOCUMENT.

1. The adopter agrees to provide the pet with a good and safe home indoors, with proper care and attention.
2. All pets adopted from KRI will be spayed or neutered prior to adoption, except in the case of a puppy or kitten that is not of suitable age to be altered at the time of adoption. A puppy adopted from KRI **MUST BE** spayed or neutered as soon as it is medically practicable. The adopter must provide KRI with evidence of spay/neuter via documentation or veterinary confirmation within 30 days of spay/ neuter or immediately upon request by a representative of KRI.
3. The adopter agrees that this pet will be examined by a licensed veterinarian at least once each year and will receive adequate vaccinations and treatments to ensure good health, including heart worm preventive.
4. When the pet is outdoors, it shall be provided appropriate protection from the elements. It is further agreed that the pet shall be provided with shade from the sun, and adequate food and water.
5. In the event KRI discovers the inhumane treatment of this pet or breach of this Adoption Contract, it is agreed that KRI has the right to immediately take possession of the pet upon written notice to the adopter at the residence of the pet. It is understood and accepted by the adopter that home visits may be conducted by a person representing KRI to check on the welfare of the above-named pet at any time during the lifetime of the pet.
6. KRI makes no warranties or statements regarding the pet's health, medical status or temperament. Adopter understands that the pet may have been rescued from an animal shelter and may have been exposed to communicable disease(s) and that it is critical that the pet be examined promptly by a licensed veterinarian as soon as practicable. Accordingly, adopter agrees to take the pet to a licensed veterinarian within 14 days of the date of this Adoption Contract for an examination. Because all of our pets come from shelters, many in rural areas, they often require multiple dewormings, following a fecal test. We provide one or two dewormings in our care, but our dogs will often require three or four dewormings to fully clear their systems. When taking your new pet to the veterinarian within 14 days following adoption, you must request a fecal exam and agree to permit further deworming, as necessary.

Pets of suitable age are current on heartworm prevention, and Adopter agrees to continue this prevention year round. It is understood that environmental changes may affect and change the temperament of the above-named pet and that KRI has no liability or responsibility of any nature regarding defects with the pet, or injuries or damage to any person or property that may be caused by the pet. The adopter agrees to indemnify and hold harmless KRI and its members or representatives against any and all claims for any injury or property damage to the adopter or anyone else.
7. If it is determined by either a KRI representative or the adopter that the pet should not remain with the adopter, it is agreed the adopter will first contact KRI about return of the pet. The pet may not be transferred to another owner without express written consent of KRI
8. It is agreed and understood by the adopter and KRI that this Adoption Contract sets forth all promises, agreements, conditions, and understandings between them, oral or written and that both parties have fully read and understand the Adoption Contract in its entirety.
9. This Contract shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the adopter and KRI and their successors or beneficiaries.
10. In the event of the employment of an attorney by KRI on account of any violation of this Adoption Contract, it is agreed the adopter shall pay KRI's reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs.
11. **Adoption Donation Refund Policy: If for any reason you choose not to keep the pet you adopted, you must notify KRI immediately. We are unable to refund adoption donations (at day 8 from date of this contract or after) under any circumstances, but the donations are tax deductible.**

KRI is available for consultation, advice, and assistance in areas pertaining to the health, training, compatibility, etc. of the adopted pet during the pet's lifetime. **ADOPTER UNDERSTANDS THAT KRI HAS**

INVESTED A GREAT DEAL OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCES INTO THE CARE, TREATMENT AND PLACEMENT OF THE PET, THAT KRI MAKES A COMMITMENT TO THE PET FOR LIFE AND THAT THE ACTUAL DAMAGES ACCRUING TO KRI IN THE EVENT ADOPTER FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE RETURN PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO PROVE WITH CERTAINTY. ACCORDINGLY, THE PARTIES HAVE AGREED THAT IN THE EVENT OF A BREACH OF THIS PARAGRAPH 7 OF THE ADOPTION CONTRACT, ADOPTER SHALL PAY LIQUIDATED DAMAGES TO KRI IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00, NOT AS A PENALTY, BUT AS A REASONABLE ESTIMATE BY THE PARTIES AS TO THE DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE BREACH OF THIS PROVISION.

Print Name _____

Signature _____ Date: _____

Address _____

Telephone Numbers:

(Home) _____ (Work) _____ (Cell) _____

Email address: _____

KRI Representative Signature _____

Rep Phone Number _____ Date _____