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

This Foster-to-Adopt Contract ("Contract") is entered into on this date _____, 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 _____ days ("Foster Period"). I understand that KRI will hold my adoption donation fee until the last day of the Foster Period. On the last day of the Foster Period (____/____/____) or before, I will instruct KRI to cash or destroy my adoption donation fee. Also, on the last day of the Foster Period 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 Foster Contract, 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:

General Guidelines

- KRI determines the criteria for fostering, decides which animal are eligible for foster care, and appoints foster caregivers from a pre-approved list of trained providers.
- KRI will inform you of the anticipated length of the foster-care period, the objectives of each particular placement (restoring to health, rearing to adoptable age, socialization, etc.), and any other expectations we may have.
- KRI foster care volunteers may always refuse any specific request for any reason.
- The pet will remain the property of KRI and will be surrendered immediately upon request to any representative of KRI.
- To return this pet to KRI in the event 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 (7) 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.
- Administrative costs incurred by KRI include an insurance program/general liability insurance policy.
- 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 available for consultation, advice, and assistance in areas pertaining to the health, training, compatibility, etc. of the pet during the pet's lifetime.
- To allow KRI to visit Foster Home to ensure compliance with this Contract.

General Care

- The above pet will be cared for always with proper shelter, food and water.
- 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, never left to roam loose and never chained.
- This pet will not be kept on leased/rented property where a "NO PETS" policy is in force.

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- 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 between \$50 to \$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 Foster Home agrees to obey all applicable county and state laws regarding custody of animals.
- No SHOCK COLLARS are to be used at any time.
- This pet will not be used for research purposes or as a working animal.

Health

- KRI will absorb the cost of all routine and age appropriate medical care and treatment needed by the animal, including at least yearly medical checkups and vaccinations recommended by a veterinarian, spay/neuter, and monthly preventative heartworm and flea and tick medication during the Foster period. KRI will absorb all required emergency care. Foster Home, however, agrees to take pet to or make available for transport to specified veterinarian directed by representative of KRI.
- All information known about this pet's medical history, including any medical treatments to be administered, 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 any time after the arrival of the pet, and the Foster Home is unwilling/unable to continue foster care for the pet, he/she will return the pet to KRI immediately.
- Heartworm preventative must be administered year-round. Flea and tick preventative must be administered year-round.
- The Foster Home will be held responsible for unapproved expenditures or treatment by a vet that is not partnered with KRI.
- Any health issues noticed by the foster should be reported to a KRI representative right away.

Behavior

- The 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.
- In the event KRI pulls a dog directly from a shelter to put in a foster home, KRI may rely on the description and assessment of the shelter we are pulling from, as well as the transporter. KRI will make every attempt to match to an appropriate foster, however a dog's behavior while in a shelter may be very different than in a home.
- Any aggressive behavior noticed by the foster should be reported to a KRI representative right away.



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KRI ADOPTION CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS, INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE EFFECTIVE ON THE [REDACTED] 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, as age appropriate. 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 a year and will receive adequate vaccinations and treatments to ensure good health, including heartworm preventive.
4. When the pet is outdoors, it shall be provided appropriate protection from the elements, including 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. 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 our pets come from shelters, many in rural areas, they often require multiple dewormings, following a fecal test. We provide 1-2 dewormings in our care, but our dogs will often require 3-4 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. This Contract shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the adopter and KRI and their successors or beneficiaries.
9. 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.
10. **Adoption Donation Refund Policy:** We are unable to refund adoption donations from [REDACTED] / [REDACTED] / [REDACTED] of this contract or after under any circumstances, but the donations are tax deductible.

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KRI is available for consultation, advice, and assistance in areas pertaining to the health, training, 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 CONTRACT 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.

Addendum: _____

Estimated Date to Alter _____

Pet Name _____ Breed _____ M N F S
Color/Markings _____ Age _____ Microchip _____

KRI animals are registered with HomeAgain. Upon adoption, KRI will transfer primary registration to the adopter, with the contact information provided below, unless otherwise specified. KRI will remain a secondary contact.

Print Name _____
Signature _____ Date: _____

Home Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Primary Telephone: _____ Alternate telephone: _____
Primary Email Address: _____ Alt. Email Address: _____

Payment Method: Check # _____ Cash _____ PayPal _____
Petco Rewards # _____

Knine Rescue Inc. is a Petco Foundation Partner. For each adoption we do with a Petco Rewards Member, Petco gives us points towards valuable grant opportunities.

KRI Representative Signature _____
Rep Phone Number _____ Date _____

Donation Acknowledgment for Pet Adoption (Federal Tax ID: 13-4317223)
Thank you for recent donation of \$ _____ to Knine Rescue Inc. on _____ in support of your recent dog adoption. We estimate the value of the dog to be _\$0.00_. We are required to inform you that your federal income tax deduction for your contribution is the amount of your contribution less the value of the dog. Your generous donation will support Knine Rescue Inc. in its efforts to foster and place adoptable dogs as a nonprofit dog rescue organization. Knine Rescue, Inc. is a §501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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