

_____ I agree that if the Animal has not been sterilized prior to this Agreement, I agree to spay or neuter within six months of this signed Agreement and that this contract is not final until the spay or neuter is completed.

_____ I understand that scratching is a cat/kitten's natural behavior and I will provide appropriate outlets to allow the Animal to act upon this healthy instinct including, but not limited to, the provision of cat trees, scratching posts, nail trimming, etc. Further, I understand that declawing (also known as tendonectomy) consists of amputating not just the claws, but the whole phalanx (up to the joint), including bones, ligaments, and tendons. Declawing is not one simple surgery, but ten separate amputations of the third phalanx up to the last joint of each toe. I understand that declawing can cause serious physical, psychological and behavioral complications that may not have existed prior to the declawing.

_____ I agree to provide appropriate food, water, and shelter, and all necessary medical care to the Animal in a timely manner. I agree to keep all vaccinations current and recommended by a veterinarian or state law; maintain flea/tick control, and ensure the Animal receives preventative medication to protect against feline leukemia. Any veterinary problems that may arise, including serious illnesses requiring emergency care or surgery, is my responsibility and I am responsible for all related costs. I understand all Shelter animals are given a thorough veterinary examination, updated vaccines, fecal test, deworming, and flea treatment and are treated for any medical needs as deemed necessary by the City's veterinarian. To the best of the City's knowledge, it is giving me a healthy Animal unless otherwise noted.

_____ I agree to provide behavioral training for the Animal at my cost if any behavioral issues arise. I understand that Shelter animals have behavioral issues, including, but not limited to, biting, destruction, escapism, fearfulness, and dominance, that might lead to abandonment of the Animal. I agree to contact the City and/or the Commission for recommendations in resolving any issues as an effort to maintain custody of the adopted Animal. The City makes no warranty as to the temperament or physical condition of the Animal. The Animal is being adopted as is. All warranties with regard to the Animal, including any implied warranty or merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, where they are applicable, are hereby specifically disclaimed.

_____ I agree that the Animal will always be wearing an identification tag or will be microchipped with my current contact information, including, but not limited to, name, address, telephone number, and alternate contact information. If the Animal will reside in Norris, I agree to register with the City by either providing the microchip information or obtaining a lifetime license from the City.

_____ I understand that this adoption is a lifetime commitment to the Animal, and I will do everything within my power to care for the Animal to ensure its optimum health, safety, and happiness. I agree that if I am unable to care for the Animal for its entire lifetime, I will contact the City. I understand that the City can only take back the Animal if the City has the resources and capability to do so and that it can take up to **14 days** to secure a foster home and I will provide safe and loving care of the Animal until it is returned. *See Norris City Code, Chapter 2, Dogs and Cats, § 1-216(3), Adoptions*

_____ I agree that I may not euthanize the Animal except in the case of the Animal's terminal illness or injury, or old age, accompanied by pain and suffering and in that case, euthanasia must be performed by a licensed veterinarian.

_____ I hereby release the City from any and all liability for personal injury, property damage, legal fees, or veterinary care, or any other expense or liability incurred by me as a result of this adoption. I agree to indemnify the City from any and all such claims and to pay, without limitation, any costs related to such injury, damage, liability, including, in the case of litigation, any attorney's fees incurred by the City in its defense.

_____ In the event that I do not comply with the terms of this Agreement, or the Animal is abused or neglected, the City holds the right to recover the Animal from me upon demand, and the Animal will be immediately surrendered. Without the City waiving any of its rights under this Agreement, if I do not surrender the Animal, I will owe the City, including, but not limited to, any and all legal fees, expenses, veterinary costs, and reasonable liquidated damages associated with enforcement of this Agreement and recovery of the Animal.

_____ This Agreement (including the attached Voluntary Release/Waiver of Liability) is the entire Agreement between the Parties and supersedes any prior understandings between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. No modification of this Agreement will be valid unless in writing duly signed by both Parties. This Agreement is binding upon the Parties, their heirs, assigns, successors, personal representatives or executors.

_____ I voluntarily make a **non-refundable** donation of \$ _____.

ADOPTER:

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date Signed: _____

CITY OF NORRIS:

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date Signed: _____



CITY OF NORRIS, TENNESSEE

Norris Animal Shelter Commission

ADOPTER'S VOLUNTARY RELEASE/WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Photographic, Video & Digital Image and Voice Recording

_____ I hereby grant permission to the City to use and publish my name or the name(s) of my minor child(ren), and any and all photographs, video, or digital images taken of me or my likeness, or of my minor child(ren), and any recordings of my voice or the minor child's(ren's) voice, that have been made in connection with this adoption or participation in Shelter activities and events ("the images and voice"), for use in the furtherance of their mission, including but not limited to, for use in any and all print or electronic publications that promote the Shelter and Shelter activities and events.

_____ I agree that the City, the Commission, employees, agents, officers, contractors, affiliates, volunteers, and any third parties involved in the creation of Shelter print and electronic publications may use the images and voice at their sole discretion in furtherance of Shelter and Shelter activities and events. I hereby grant the City all rights in the images and voice, which rights include, but are not limited to, copyrights, and the right to receive any and all royalties, proceeds or other benefits (monetary or otherwise) derived from the use of images and voice. I understand that this document includes my permission for the City to freely use the images and voice and that I will receive no financial compensation for such use by the City.

_____ By signing this document, I agree to release, forever discharge and hold harmless the City, the Commission and its agents, directors, officers, members, employees, or other volunteer workers and any third parties involved in the creation of Shelter print and electronic publications from any reasonable expectation of privacy, confidentiality that I might associate with the images and voice; and any and all liability claims, demands, or causes of action of whatever kind, in law or equity, associated with the use of the images and voice in the furtherance of the Shelter.

_____ I understand that I may refuse to be photographed, and that such refusal shall not change my status as a Adoptee.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date Signed: _____

Minor Child(ren) Name(s) and Age(s):

Name _____	Age _____
Name _____	Age _____
Name _____	Age _____
Name _____	Age _____



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ADOPTER'S VOLUNTARY RELEASE/WAIVER OF LIABILITY

This Voluntary Release/Waiver of Liability (Release) is made and entered into between the undersigned and the City of Norris, Tennessee, effective as of the below-indicated date. The undersigned desires to adopt an animal from the City, and hereby represents, acknowledges, and agrees to the following:

1. I, _____, acknowledge that, due to the unpredictable nature of animals, certain risks and dangers may occur while caring for an animal, including, but not limited to, risks of injury to person and property, and that I have voluntarily agreed to make the adoption contemplated herein with full knowledge of such risks and hereby voluntarily assume all such risks.
2. I agree that I will not make any claims against, sue or attach any property of the City, its directors, officers, agents, employees and/or volunteers for any injury or damage caused by the animal adopted from the City.
3. I hereby voluntarily release, discharge, waive and relinquish any and all actions or causes of action from personal injury, property damage or wrongful death occurring to me or third parties as a result of any action or activity of the animal being adopted by me from the City. It is my intention by this instrument to exempt and relieve the City from ALL liability for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death caused by negligence or otherwise.
4. I hereby agree to hold the City and its directors, officers, agents, employees, and/or volunteers harmless and indemnify them from and against any liability, claims, judgments, or expenses I may incur arising out of my adoption of the Animal from the City.
5. I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE FOREGOING, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT TOGETHER THEY CONSTITUTE A DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY BY CHARITY AND A RELEASE OF ALL THE CLAIMS BY ME. I UNDERSTAND THAT I ASSUME ALL RISKS INHERENT IN MY DECISION TO ADOPT AN ANIMAL FROM THE CITY AND ANY RELATED ACTIVITIES. I VOLUNTARY SIGN BELOW TO EVIDENCE MY ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS.
6. If any portion of this Release is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance hereof shall continue in full legal force and effect.
7. This Release is governed by the laws of the State of Tennessee applicable to agreements entered into and fully performed therein.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date Signed: _____