



## CAT ADOPTION CONTRACT

Adopter's name: (s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ ID/License: \_\_\_\_\_

It is accepted that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ the above-named person adopts from Miami Animal Rescue, a feline described as follows:

1. Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Age or DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Microchip # \_\_\_\_\_ for the fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### **INITIAL BELOW**

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We hereby agree to care for this animal humanely (including providing adequate food, water, shelter, love, and attention) and have the cat vaccinated annually with necessary inoculations and vaccinated against, as local ordinances require and provide essential veterinary care as needed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We agree to put a collar **AND** a tag with the adequate contact information in case the said cat becomes lost/stolen. The **TAG AND COLLAR** must be on the said cat at **ALL TIMES**. If said cat becomes LOST OR STOLEN, I/We agree to notify Miami Animal Rescue immediately.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We further agree that said cat shall not be used for medical or any other experimental purposes or sold or given to a pet store, supplier, or wholesaler.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We agree to notify Miami Animal Rescue within **10 days of ANY change** of address or phone number.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We understand that Miami Animal Rescue may examine and make inquiries about said cat at any time and make surprise home visits. If not satisfied with the condition of the cat or the conditions in which it is kept, said cat can or may be removed immediately and placed in a different home.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We understand that Miami Animal Rescue makes no guarantees or warranties regarding the health or temperament of this cat.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/We promise and agree to be solely responsible for this animal, and to indemnify and hold harmless Miami Animal Rescue from any and all claims of liability for the conduct of this animal on or after the date of this adoption. This Release of Liability and Indemnification shall apply to all known, unknown and unanticipated damages resulting from my/our adoption, ownership, or control of such animal. After two

calendar days from date of adoption, Adopter(s)/Owner(s) hereby release and agree to hold Miami Animal Rescue harmless from any future liability and/or financial responsibility for the adopted animal.

\_\_\_\_\_/We agree that all animals adopted from Miami Animal Rescue are subject to a **mandatory spay and neuter** due to the massive overpopulation in Miami Dade County. As per Florida State Statute 823.15 and Miami Dade County Code, Chapter V, Section 5-5, **you are required to have your new pet sterilized within 30 days of adoption. The surgery is included in your adoption fee. Failure to do so will result in a \$500 citation.** If the surgery is done at the private veterinarian proof of compliance must be submitted within 30 days from the date of this agreement. Extensions will be granted only with medical documentation from your pet's veterinarian.

\_\_\_\_\_/I/WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A BINDING CONTRACT ENFORCEABLE BY CIVIL LAW. (IF) The animal being adopted came to Miami-Dade County's Animal Services' Department as a stray or was surrendered or abandoned by its previous owner, and its medical history prior to arrival at the shelter/rescuers unknown. Accordingly, the adopter or third-party organization agrees to hold Miami-Dade County (the "County") and Miami Animal Rescue harmless from any claim related to medical care for the animal or for Adopter's or third party's other pets if they contract a disease from the Animal. The adopter or third-party organization further understands that animals can be unpredictable and hereby acknowledges and agrees that the County, Miami Animal Rescue, and their respective agents, volunteers, and employees have not made any warranties regarding the future condition, temperament, or conduct of the Animal. The adopter or third-party organization hereby accepts the Animal "as is" and agrees to assume all risks and responsibilities associated with ownership of the Animal, including bites. The adopter or third party organization further agrees to release, indemnify, and hold harmless the County and Miami Animal Rescue and their respective officers, employees, agents, and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses, or damages, even if caused by the sole negligence of the County or Miami Animal Rescue, including attorney's fees and costs of defense, as a result of any claims, demands, suits, causes of action, or proceedings of any kind or nature, whether known or unknown, arising out of, relating to, or resulting from the Adoption.

\_\_\_\_\_ I authorize Miami Animal Rescue to verify all statements in my application and make such inquiries of my personal, employment, education references or criminal history as may be necessary in arriving at an adoption decision. I authorize Miami Animal Rescue, PetSmart Charities, and others to access and process my personal information for marketing and advertising purposes.

**I/WE HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I/WE HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND WILL KEEP THE CAT DESCRIBED HEREIN AS A FAMILY MEMBER. I/WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A BINDING CONTRACT ENFORCEABLE BY CIVIL LAW.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_