# HOPE For PETS Foster Contract

Name	Date				
Address					
City					
Home Phone	Work Phone				
Cell Phone	Email				
Name of animal being fostered	ID#				

In order to ensure the best care for Hope for Pets' animals, all fosterers must read through, understand, and agree to abide by the following policies and procedures.

### **Foster Information**

- You, the Fosterer, will live with the animal in a place that permits the type of/number of animals you are fostering.
- You have permission from all family members to foster the animal, and all family members agree to abide by the policies set forth by Upshur County Hope House for Pets, DBA Hope for Pets ("HfP").
- You represent that neither you, nor anyone residing in or frequently visiting the foster home have been subject to legal action for cruelty to or neglect of animals. You further represent that you have never owned an animal which has been confiscated by animal control or a humane organization for violations of state or local regulations or laws.

### **Foster Care**

• You, the Fosterer, will provide the animal with fresh water, wholesome food, clean living

- conditions, adequate exercise, and affection daily. The animal will be treated as a companion and family member. You will not allow the animal to be exposed to aggressive or unsafe situations or environments.
- You agree that if the animal should become lost, you will notify HfP immediately and make every effort to find the animal including notifying local shelters, animal control, police, and/or veterinarians.
- You agree to follow any and all specific instructions given by HfP, whether written or oral, for any needs the animal(s) may have regarding health and welfare.
- You agree to keep HfP staff informed regarding any difficulties with or deviations from instructions given, or any changes in the pet's health or condition which may warrant a request from HfP for follow up examination or care.
- You understand that medicines and other supplies provided by HfP are for use with foster care animals only, and are not to be administered to animals that are not the property of HfP.
- You understand that all veterinary care must be provided by HfP or a HfP approved veterinarian. You further understand that in the event of urgent or emergency required care, if appropriate HfP staff is not available, HfP may approve reimbursement of reasonable and customary expenses as long as the medical expenses are not the result of mismanagement or neglect by the foster family. You agree to personally incur the cost for any treatment that has not been so authorized.
- You understand that you may not take the animal beyond a 50 mile radius of the foster home without the prior written authorization of HfP.

## **Hope for Pets' Rights**

- You understand that the animal(s) will at all times remain the sole property of Hope for Pets. You understand and acknowledge that you do not have any right or authority to keep, adopt, transfer, or place foster animals in other homes or with other individuals. You understand that if you decide to adopt your foster animal(s), you must complete the full adoption process required by HfP.
- You agree that every animal for which you provide foster care must be physically returned to HfP at any time upon the request of HfP. You also agree to return the animal(s) immediately if you are no longer able to provide adequate care.
- You agree to release and hold harmless Upshur County Hope House for Pets, DBA Hope for Pets and its officers, directors, volunteers, staff, and members from any and all liability or responsibility in connection with the animal and foster care arrangement. Furthermore, you release HfP from any and all liability for damage or injury hereafter arising out of this foster care arrangement.

# Animal Uncertainties the Adopter Must be Aware Of

- Animal reactions to various stimuli such as human actions are often unpredictable and should be observed carefully.
- An animal's behavior may change as it accustoms itself to a new environment.

- Animals need to be introduced into homes with other animals cautiously, with the method based on the temperament of all of the animals. You should consult HfP or an animal care professional on the appropriate way to introduce your foster animal into your multi-animal home for proper adjustment and the lowest risk of incident.
- Puppies and kittens require extra training and attention. Make sure you have enough free time and patience before fostering a puppy or kitten.

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of the Hop	e for Pets	Foster Cont	ract, I have t	acknowled horoughly read e animal(s) that	through it, a	and I unde	a copy rstand
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P	rinted Nam	e of Fosterer			 Date		