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ADOPTION CONTRACT

In accordance with the terms outlined in this agreement, JoJo's DogHouse ("Rescue") agrees to provide, and the undersigned ("Adopting Party") agrees to adopt:

- Name of Dog _____
- Breed _____
- Gender _____

TERMS OF ADOPTION

The adoption fee for this dog is \$_____. This fee helps to reimburse the incurred veterinary expenses and care of the dog in Rescue as well as operating and regulatory expenses. Adoption fees are non-refundable.

- Adopting Party agrees that it cannot transfer custody of the dog to anyone other than Rescue without Rescue's prior written consent. In the event a home acceptable to Rescue cannot be found by Adopting Party, Adopting Party agrees to return the dog to Rescue if ever unable to keep the dog or provide the care required under this agreement.
 - Yes _____ o No _____
- Adopting party agrees to exercise normal care, including but not limited to specific requirements outlined below, in maintaining the health and safety of this dog.
 - Yes _____ o No _____

Normal care includes:

1. Maintain dog on a proper diet and at a weight sensible for its size and age. Provide fresh food, fresh water, and plenty of exercise daily.
2. Provide routine preventative care, which includes:
 - a. Annual physical examinations by a licensed veterinarian.
 - b. Annual vaccinations against DHLPP, Rabies, and Bordetella.
 - c. Annual fecal examinations and heartworm screenings.
 - d. Monthly heartworm and flea preventative used all year long or as recommended by your veterinarian
 - e. Lyme disease vaccinations as recommended by your veterinarian

3. Always keep this dog within a fenced yard or supervised on a leash. Never leave this dog outside when no one is home, never allow the dog to be tied to a doghouse or to a chain, nor leave unsupervised in a yard for long periods of time, resulting in the dog's possible digging, climbing out, or nuisance barking.
 4. Provide regular grooming of the coat to prevent matting. Keep nails neatly trimmed and provide proper care for ears and skin.
 5. Transport dog in a safe manner and never loose in the open bed of a pick-up truck or in any other unsafe manner.
- Adopting Party agrees to provide periodic verbal or email updates to Rescue on the dog's adjustment and progress. It is important to us that the dogs we rescue are in healthy, happy and secure living arrangements. We enjoy and appreciate seeing updated photographs.
 - Yes_____ o No_____
 - Adopting Party agrees to have identification (personal ID tag and license tag) on said dog at all times and to regularly check that collar is secure. In the event the dog is micro-chipped, Adopting Party agrees to list JoJo's DogHouse as a secondary contact with the microchip company. If the dog is lost, we can help if we are listed as a contact. This happens from time to time.
 - Yes_____ o No_____
 - The typical characteristics and temperament of the dog have been explained to me.
 - Yes_____ o No_____
 - Adopting Party has been advised that dogs can sometimes dig, chew, soil, and exhibit other undesirable traits unless properly supervised, confined and trained. Adopting Party is aware that proper training is a must.
 - Yes_____ o No_____
 - Adopting Party has been advised that this dog may have been neglected, mistreated or abused some time in its past and that special care or precautions may be required.
 - Yes_____ o No_____
 - Adopting Party has been advised that this dog will need time to adjust to new routines, new family and new surroundings. This adjustment may be anywhere from a few days to several months. In addition, Adopting Party is aware that the dog may need training in basic house manners.
 - Yes_____ o No_____

- Adopting Party agrees to carefully introduce the new dog to the existing dogs and cats in the household. Coming to a new home is stressful for the new dog and the household's existing animals. Careful introduction is a must. Your new dog needs time and space to adjust to the surroundings and your existing animals need to feel they are not being replaced or crowded. Introducing the new dog can result in growling, barking, submissive urination or other undesirable behavior. Properly managing the introduction is therefore important.
 - Yes_____ o No_____

- Adopting Party understands that interactions between its child(ren) and/or any children visiting its home and the new dog must be carefully supervised. All dogs in Rescue are carefully screened, but dogs are dogs and can be unpredictable on occasion, especially in new surroundings. Adopting Party agrees that it will never leave its child(ren) alone and unsupervised with the dog as Adopting Party realizes that one mistake can result in injury and/or the dog never having a home.
 - Yes_____ o No_____

- Adopting Party agrees to take new dog to dog obedience school or work with a trainer, if needed, to help him/her become a happy, well-adjusted family pet.
 - Yes_____ o No_____

- Every effort is made to ensure that any dog placed in Rescue is thoroughly evaluated for its temperament, health, physical soundness and overall adoptability, before it is ever offered for adoption. However, Rescue cannot and does not guarantee the health or temperament of said dog, and costs for medical care after placement are the responsibility of Adopting Party. Rescue strongly encourages Adopting Party to consider insurance for said dog. Acknowledged and agreed:
 - Yes_____ o No_____

- The actual breed or mix of breeds as listed is based on information received from the original owner or shelter. In the absence of those sources, it is the considered opinion of Rescue staff, often along with our veterinarian's opinion. Unless otherwise stated, we have no documentation on the actual breed or lineage of the rescued dog and we make no guarantee that our listed description is accurate.
 - Yes_____ o No_____

- It is agreed and understood that if Adopting Party fails to adhere to any of the terms and conditions of this agreement, Rescue may, at its option, revoke this agreement and retake possession of the dog, with Adopting Party forfeiting further right to the dog.
 - Yes_____ o No_____

- Adopting Party agrees to hold harmless and release Rescue and/or its members, volunteers and other individuals working for and/or assisting with the Rescue from all liability, claims, and/or causes of action arising from any acts, injury and/or occurrences

engaged in and/or caused by the dog subject to this agreement. Adopting Party further agrees to indemnify Rescue from damages, court costs and/or attorneys' fees incurred by Rescue and/or its members for any court proceedings relating to such matters. Jurisdiction for any dispute lies with the Sumner County, Tennessee, courts.

- Yes _____ o No _____

ADOPTING PARTY HAS READ THIS ADOPTION CONTRACT AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS IT AND, BY WRITING/TYPING NAME IN THE SIGNATURE BOX BELOW, AGREES TO BE BOUND BY ITS PROVISIONS. ADOPTING PARTY FURTHER AGREES THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE ADOPTION APPLICATION SUBMITTED FOR THIS DOG IS INCOPORATED INTO THIS CONTRACT BY THIS REFERENCE.

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (home) _____

(cell) _____

Email _____

ADOPTING PARTY:

Signature _____

Date _____

RESCUE:

Signature _____

Date _____