

HEART CAT ADOPTION CONTRACT

Date: _____

- 1) I understand this contract is between myself and HEART and the cat(s) will reside with me as their caregiver and will assume responsibility for the cat(s).
- 2) The cat will live inside the home and will not be isolated from family. I will not allow the cat to roam outside and will take all measures to prevent escapes.
- 3) The cat will not be confined in a cage for long periods of time.
- 4) I agree to provide a good standard of humane care which includes:
 - A good diet for the cat's needs and constant access to clean drinking water
 - A suitable, clean and safe environment for a cat of its age
 - Outlets to express normal cat behavior, such as scratching posts and access to hiding spots
 - An environment free from mistreatment or abuse by myself or others
- 5) I agree not to use punishment based training methods or aversive training tools.
- 6) I will not have the cat(s) declawed.
- 7) I will provide good medical care including:
 - Preventive medication
 - Yearly visits to the vet for a general health check
 - Prompt veterinary visits in case of injury or illness
- 8) If at any time I become unable to provide care myself, I will contact HEART as soon as possible to discuss new placement options. I will not re-home, leave in the long-term care of another or relinquish the cat(s) to a shelter/rescue group without HEART's permission.
- 9) I will contact HEART at least every six months to report on the well-being of the cat(s)
- 10) I will promptly update HEART with changes in address or contact information.
- 11) I give permission for a HEART representative to visit at any reasonable time to observe that the contract conditions are being met. If I am unable to meet the conditions of this contract, I agree to return the cat(s) to HEART.

Signature of adopter

Address

Cat information

Name at HEART: _____ Male Female

Breed: _____ Color: _____ Microchip: _____

Animal control # (if applicable) _____

Adoption fee received: Yes No Staff's initials _____