

# ADOPTION AGREEMENT

## BRIDGING THE WORLDS

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

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### Description of Animal Companion You Have Chosen

Cat/Dog Male/Female Altered Y/N Name \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. Age \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Color(s) \_\_\_\_\_

### Adoption Terms and Conditions

I, the Adopter, agree:

I will care for and treat this animal as a family pet, and will not allow this animal to run at large.

I will provide all reasonable and humane care, including adequate food, clean water, exercise, shade, shelter, and a securely fenced area to ensure the safety and comfort of the animal. I will not confine this animal by chaining or roping. I will not declaw a cat or debark a dog. I will not clip the animal's ears or tail.

I will provide regular veterinary care during the life of the animal to maintain health, and as may be necessary due to illness or injury. I have the financial resources to pay for medical treatment, including emergencies.

**Sterilization is Mandatory.** I understand and acknowledge that BTW strictly prohibits breeding this animal. If not already spayed or neutered, I agree to have the animal surgically sterilized by a licensed veterinarian within 30 days of this agreement. An extension of this date may be given for extenuating circumstances if requested by a licensed veterinarian. If the animal is a young puppy, I agree to have it sterilized by age six months. ***BTW requires a \$75 spay/neuter deposit which will be refunded upon receipt of certification from your veterinarian that your new companion has been spayed or neutered.***

I will not, under any circumstances, allow this animal to be used for experimental purposes or for fighting.

I understand that this is a rescued animal whose full history cannot be known and that BTW does not guarantee the health, temperament, or training of the animal. I understand that there could be a short or long period of adjustment, and I am willing to extend a reasonable and humane and loving effort to help this animal's transition. If necessary, I am willing to work with the animal and a professional trainer, to help this animal fit into my home and family and life style.

I understand that, should the animal become ill and/or die within 15 calendar days of the date above, I may return the animal to BTW, who will take responsibility for the animal and refund the adoption fee. In case of negligence by the adopter, BTW will ask for and expect financial assistance to recover the animal's health.

I understand that if I am no longer able to care for the animal or for any reason decide to relinquish custody, this animal is to be returned to BTW.

Should BTW discover that these terms and conditions are not being followed, BTW will consider this contract to be broken, and will immediately take the animal back into its care.

I grant permission for a representative of BTW to visit my home to help me determine whether the character and personality of this particular animal are suited to the home environment I am offering.

**Adoption Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Spay/Neuter Deposit \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Donations to BTW help to offset the costs of care, rescue operations, spay and neuter. Please consider this. Any amount will help so much.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

BTW Representative \_\_\_\_\_

*We are a 501(c)3 Tax Exempt Organization. Your contribution is tax deductible.*

**Get a FREE five pound bag of dog food!**

Take your completed adoption form to

The Critters and Me

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