Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, (hereinafter known as “Foster”) agrees not to transfer custody of the dog(s) to anyone other than New Hope Pet Rescue (hereinafter “Rescue”) and agrees to return the dog to Rescue upon demand. Foster agrees to exercise normal care in maintaining the health of this Dog.
* **I agree to carefully introduce the new dog to the existing dogs and cats.** Coming to a new home is stressful for the new dog and your 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 introductions is therefore important. The same is especially true when introducing the dog to potential adopters and their pets. The proper way to introduce the foster dog to any new dogs is one at a time, and on ALL dogs on leashes. Allow the dogs to sniff one another, keeping your hold on the leash firm, but not taut. Walk the dogs next to each other a few steps around the yard. I agree to ASK a Rescue representative about the proper way to introduce the dogs if I have any questions or need assistance.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Foster agrees to contact Rescue immediately if the dog becomes ill or is missing. We recognize that dogs being dogs will occasionally make a run for the hills, so please let us know immediately if the dog is missing. Likewise, dogs do become ill and we need to know.

Initial: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Foster will provide fresh food, fresh water, and plenty of exercise daily.

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* Foster agrees to always keep the foster dog within a fenced yard (not on a chain) or supervised on a leash; Foster agrees to never leave this dog outside when no one is home, to never allow the dog to be tied to a doghouse or to a chain, nor left unsupervised in a yard for extremely long periods.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Foster agrees to provide updates to Rescue on the dog's progress. We want to know how you and the dog are doing.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Foster agrees to always transport this dog in a safe manner and never loose in the open bed of a pick-up truck or in any other unsafe manner.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I have been advised that foster dogs can sometimes dig, chew, soil, and exhibit other undesirable traits. I understand that dogs are dogs and will do things that cannot be foreseen on occasion.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I have been advised that my foster dog may have been neglected, mistreated, or abused and that special care of precautions may be required. I also understand that the dog may need medical care which will be provided by NHPR. Rescue dogs frequently come in to rescue scared, underweight, and/or ill.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I have been advised that a foster dog will need time to adjust to new routines, new family and new surroundings. In addition, I am aware that the dog may need training in basic house manners.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I understand that interactions between my child(ren) or grandchild(ren) and the new dog must be carefully supervised. Any dog in rescue is screened, but dogs are dogs and unpredictable on occasion and especially in new surroundings. I agree that I will never leave my child alone and unsupervised with the dog as I realize that one mistake on my part can result in injury and in the dog never having a home.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Every effort is made to make sure that any dog that is placed in rescue is thoroughly evaluated for its temperament, health, physical soundness and overall suitability, before it is ever placed in a foster home. However, NHPR cannot and does not guarantee the health or temperament of said dog, has no documentation on the actual breed unless otherwise provided.

Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I understand that my family or myself may become attached to the dog and decide to adopt it. This is welcomed but not preferred if adopting the dog means we will lose your home as a potential foster home in the future. We understand that strong bonds form between loving humans and their dogs. I understand that I must promptly notify Rescue of my desires to adopt the dog. I understand that I will not be charged the normal adoption fees, but that I may have to reimburse Rescue for some or all reasonable expenses paid by Rescue towards this dog while in foster care with me. This may include all vetting, food, other costs.

 Initial:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* I will not hold New Hope Pet Rescue or any of its volunteers responsible for any damage to property or injury to myself or others that could be a part of fostering a dog/puppy.

Initial: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

FOSTER HAS READ THE FOREGOING FOSTER CONTRACT AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES TO BE BOUND TO ITS PROVISIONS. FOSTER HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THIS CONTRACT TO AN ATTORNEY OR VOLUNTARY CHOOSES TO SIGN WITHOUT DOING SO. THIS CONTRACT CANNOT BE MODIFIED EXCEPT BY A SEPARATE SIGNED WRITTEN AGREEMENT. BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE TO BE BOUND TO THIS CONTRACT, AND UNDERSTAND THE CONSEQUENCES OF ANY BREACH OF THIS CONTRACT.

Signed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Dated:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_