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VOLUNTEER RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY FORM

PLEASE READ THIS FORM CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING BECAUSE IT AFFECTS YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS.

This Release and Waiver of Liability is executed this ___ day of _____ 20___, between Alliance for Responsible Pet Ownership (ARPO) and _____ (Volunteer) in favor and for the benefit of ARPO and its directors, officers, and agents.

In consideration for ARPO allowing the Volunteer to participate in ARPO related activities, the Volunteer hereby freely and voluntarily executes this Release and Waiver of Liability. Volunteer understands that execution of this document is a necessary condition to be allowed to participate in ARPO sponsored events.

Volunteer hereby consents to the following terms and conditions:

1. Volunteer hereby releases and forever discharges and holds harmless the ARPO, its directors, officers, agents, assigns, and successors in interest from any and all liability, claims, demands, and causes of action, of whatever kind in nature, either in law or in equity, which may hereinafter arise due to or from Volunteer's participation with ARPO including any project, activity, or event which is sponsored, managed, arranged, or promoted by, or in any way affiliated or associated with ARPO.
2. Volunteer understands and acknowledges that the primary mission of ARPO is the provision of assistance to homeless or unwanted animals. Volunteer further understands that ARPO cannot and does not warrant or guarantee the temperament of animals that Volunteer may come into contact during ARPO events. Volunteer understands that working with or around animals can be dangerous and Volunteer hereby assumes all risk of participation as an ARPO Volunteer.
3. Volunteer understands that by signing this Release and Waiver of Liability that Volunteer is relinquishing legal rights for the benefit of ARPO. Volunteer does this freely as a condition of the right to participate in ARPO sponsored activities.
4. Volunteer understands and agrees that ARPO does not assume any responsibility or obligation to provide financial or other assistance in the event of injury, illness, death, or property damage as a result of Volunteer's participation in any ARPO event.
5. Volunteer understands and agrees that this Release and Waiver of Liability is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law, and that this Release and Waiver of Liability shall be governed by and interpreted under the laws of the State of Indiana. Volunteer agrees that if any provision of part of this document shall be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction that such invalid provision or part shall not affect the remaining provisions of this document.
6. Volunteer understands that they are providing volunteer services to ARPO assisting in pet adoptions. This may also include assisting in adoptions of pets for APRO at local community businesses and other events. Volunteer understands that neither ARPO nor adoption event partners are responsible for any illness or injury caused by any animals that Volunteer comes into contact with during volunteer work. Volunteer agrees to hold harmless and release from liability ARPO and all adoption event staff, vendors, and affiliates should Volunteer become sick or injured from any animals as a result of volunteer work.
7. **Volunteer has received the informational overview of ARPO volunteers and agrees to read it and abide by it in its entirety.**

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT BELOW, VOLUNTEER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THEY HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, AND ASSENT TO THE TERMS OF THE DOCUMENT AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS.

Signature of Volunteer

Signature of ARPO Representative

Date

Printed name of Volunteer

Date

Printed name of ARPO Representative

FOR VOLUNTEERS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER THE AGE OF 18)

This is the certify that I, _____ as Parent or guardian with legal responsibility for _____ (Minor Child) _____ do hereby consent and agree to his/her release as provided above and do hereby consent for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, to the Release of Waiver of Liability for my Minor Child, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless ARPO from any and all liability incident to my Minor Child's involvement and participation as an ARPO Volunteer as set forth in this document, to the fullest extent permitted by law. Except as otherwise authorized by this release or the Board of Directors for ARPO, no Volunteer under the age of 16 will be permitted to participate in an ARPO event. Exceptions to this prohibition will be considered on a case-by-case basis, are at the sole discretion of the ARPO Board of Directors, and are subject to immediate revocation at the Board's discretion. Furthermore, all Volunteers under the age of 16 must have a Parent or legal Guardian at the event. Any Volunteer from the age of 16 -18 years old may participate at any ARPO event without the Parent/Guardian being present.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Printed name of Parent/Guardian

ARPO Signature/Date