

Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Adoption date: \_\_\_\_\_

Vaccines: \_\_\_\_\_

Loaned: \_\_\_\_\_

# Parker's Animal Rescue

P.O. Box 4438 Durango, CO 81302  
970-769-2584

## **ADOPTION AGREEMENT**

This Adoption Agreement is entered into on the date set forth below between Parker's Animal Rescue (PAR) and \_\_\_\_\_ (Adopter). The Adoption Application provided by Adopter is incorporated herein and is made part of this Adoption Agreement. In consideration of the \$350.00 non-refundable non-transferable adoption donation provided to PAR by Adopter and the representations made by Adopter to PAR, PAR agrees to adopt out the PAR dog described below from PAR to Adopter, pursuant to the following terms and conditions.

**Neutering/Spaying:** Colorado Law requires all rescue dogs to be spayed or neutered by a licensed veterinarian prior to adoption unless expressly exempted by the Colorado Commissioner of Agriculture.

**Health and Welfare of PAR Dog:** The health and welfare of PAR dogs is of primary importance to PAR. Your PAR dog's optimum health must be maintained through the feeding of quality dog food, maintenance of proper weight for dog's build, adequate water, daily exercise, shelter, and annual exams and vaccinations by a licensed veterinarian. No PAR dog shall be transported in the open bed in the back of a truck. No PAR dog shall be tethered to a tie out at any time. If any health conditions or medical concerns arise within the first ten (10) days after adoption, Adopter will contact PAR. PAR may, in its sole discretion, provide or assist with vet care, but such vet care must be provided by Aspentree Animal Caring Center of Durango. If Adopter chooses to seek vet care from a provider other than Aspentree Animal Caring Center of Durango, PAR will not be responsible for any charges incurred.

**Identification:** Your PAR dog must wear identification at all times attached securely to nylon or leather collar or harness. Your PAR dog must be licensed and tagged in accordance with local laws and wear personal identification as well. PAR will microchip prior to adoption.

**Training:** Your PAR dog is a family member/companion. Your PAR dog may never be protection or attack trained or used as a guard dog for any agency, firm, corporation or organization. Your PAR dog shall not wear a choke chain at any time. Your PAR dog must not be merely an outdoor yard dog, but must have regular exercise and meaningful attention with Adopter. Your PAR dog may not be allowed to roam loose or free without appropriate supervision. If recommended by PAR, Adopter agrees to attend teaching sessions offered by PAR.

**Loss:** If your PAR dog is lost or stolen, you must notify PAR immediately.

**Returning PAR Dog:** PAR makes reasonable efforts to pair Adopters with an appropriate dog. However, Adopter is ultimately responsible for its PAR dog and Adopter agrees that it has thoroughly considered potential constraints that may impact Adopter's ability to provide lifelong care to this dog (e.g. exercise needs, housing, financial commitment and training/behavior requirements). PAR shall provide 4 post-

adoption basic training classes at no cost to Adopter. Adopter understands that PAR is not a certified dog trainer/behaviorist and that further training may be desirable or necessary. PAR can provide a list of recommended trainers/behaviorists upon request and any additional training shall be at Adopter's sole expense.

If adopter decides to re-home, surrender, euthanize, sell/give away their PAR dog, they agree to first contact PAR to discuss such options. When feasible, PAR may agree to take back the PAR dog (In this event, no fees shall be refunded to Adopter). PAR may also authorize in writing the transfer of PAR dog.

**Post-Adoption Action by PAR:** Adopter agrees and PAR reserves the right to visit Adopter's home and/or contact Adopter's veterinarian, at any time after the adoption, to follow-up on the welfare of the PAR dog and confirm that Adopter is complying with the terms and conditions of this adoption. If Adopter fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this adoption, or if PAR determines that any false information was provided to PAR by Adopter, PAR may terminate the adoption and retake possession of the PAR dog. If PAR terminates the adoption, there will be no refund of the \$350.00 adoption donation. If it is necessary for PAR to retain an attorney or take legal action to recover the PAR dog or enforce any terms and conditions of this agreement, Adopter agrees to pay all attorney's fees and costs associated with such action.

Further, Adopter agrees that any legal action pertaining to this Adoption Agreement shall be heard in County Court in La Plata County, Colorado. In the event PAR has to file a replevin action to recover possession of the PAR dog, Adopter voluntarily waives his/her right to attend a Show Cause Hearing and agrees that the Court has the authority to issue a pre-judgment Order of Possession to PAR without the necessity of posting a bond.

There are inherent risks in adopting a dog and owning a dog. PAR shall not be liable for any damages, injury or death resulting from the inherent risks of adopting a dog or dog ownership. No Adopter or person affiliated in any way with an Adopter shall make any claim against PAR, or maintain any action against PAR, or recover from PAR for injury, loss, damages or death resulting from any of the inherent risks of dog adoption or dog ownership. By signing below, Adopter acknowledges the inherent risk in adopting a dog and dog ownership and agrees to waive any and all claims against PAR as set forth herein. By signing below, Adopter agrees to the terms and conditions set forth herein and affirms that all information provided to PAR and all representations made by Adopter to PAR are true and correct.

AGREED

\_\_\_\_\_ Adopter Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Adopter

\_\_\_\_\_ PAR Representative Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog: \_\_\_\_\_