Temporary Fostering Guidelines and Agreement

Welcome to **Purr Partners!** We appreciate your interest and willingness to foster the cat or kitten you have found until it can be placed in a loving, forever home. Without you, most likely there would be no hope for this furry feline. Thank you for caring.

Please read over the guidelines carefully. In order to find a home for your temporary foster, we need to work together. This is a partnership that you must be willing to enter into with us, and it requires commitment on both our parts. Before we can get started, you must have made an effort to find the owners of this cat or kitten.

- 1. Did you check with your neighbors?
- 2. Did you post flyers in your neighborhood?
- 3. Did you send out emails to your HOA?
- 4. Did you contact the local shelter to see if the cat is missing?
- 5. Did you take the cat in to an area vet to see if it is microchipped?

If you have made an honest effort to find the owners, all the while keeping the animal safe and secure, and you've had no luck, maybe we can help.

Since we are rescue group with limited funds, we require that the cat or kitten you are bringing into our program be tested for FIV and Feline Leukemia BEFORE final admittance to our temporary foster program. If the results are negative, the cat will be accepted into the program. You have two choices about how to do this test:

- 1. You may give us a check for \$30 per test, and we will schedule an appointment at our vet for the testing. (**This is nonrefundable**).
- 2. You may have the test done and provide us written documentation of the results. If this is a group of kittens, we will need to test just the mother or all the kittens if there is no mother. It is \$30 per test.

We will provide all vet care at no cost to you **if** we have the funds available, but any help is greatly appreciated and may be required! We receive no funding of any type, and all expenses are paid through our fund raising efforts and donations. This includes the following:

- 1. All vaccinations
- 2. Worming and ear mite treatment
- 3. Flea preventative
- 4. Spay or neuter
- 5. Any other vet care necessary once the cat or kitten is in the program

We will also do the following to insure this cat or kitten gets a loving, permanent home:

- 1. Post a picture and bio on our website (<u>www.purrpartners.com</u>), on Petfinders, and on our Rescue Me website.
- 2. The cat or kitten will be rotated through our Adoption Centers at the Petsmarts in Wake Forest, Six Forks, Capital Blvd. and through Animall in Cary when we are scheduled.
- 3. We will conduct interviews and home visits as necessary when an application is submitted for the cat or kitten.
- 4. Complete all paperwork and the adoption.

If you need supplies, the following will be loaned/given to you as needed:

- 1. A carrier
- 2. A litter box and scoop
- 3. Beds
- 4. Dry cat food (you will need to provide canned food as necessary unless we have some donated)

The next part of this information lists the things you need to know to make this work. Please read over this carefully and be sure you understand what you are agreeing to.

- 1. The cat/ kittens must be totally indoors.
- 2. Your own personal cats must be UTD on vaccinations, spayed or neutered, and have been tested for FIV/Feline Leukemia
- 3. You must be willing to provide transportation to and from the vet (Bunn Animal Hospital) and/or Rolesville Animal Hospital, or Zebulon Spay/Neuter Clinic as scheduled.
- 4. You must be willing to transport your cat or kitten to and from Petsmart as scheduled.
- 5. You must be willing to maintain records and have them available. (We will provide the record but you must record all care).
- 6. You must provide a picture and a write up about the cat or kitten (check the website for examples). Send this to <u>purrpartners@yahoo.com</u> and to <u>cbrundage@nc.rr.com</u>. Print this out and bring the first time your cat is scheduled for Petsmart.
- 7. You must be willing to drive to our storage facility on days designated for vaccinations, food distribution, and medications. (Supply Days are the first Saturday of every month from 11:30 12:30 and the third Wed. of the month from 6:30 7:30)
- 8. You must be willing to check your email at least twice a day and respond to inquiries, and you must become a member of our facebook group purrpartnersfostergroup.
- 9. You must be willing to stay on as a foster for 1 month after your cat or kitten is placed due to our return policy. If the cat or kitten is returned during that time period, you must be willing to take it back and continue to foster until it is placed again.
- 10. Once we have started vet care for your cat, if you decide to drop out and/or keep the cat, or you find a home for the cat, you will be required to pay the full adoption price of \$120 for kittens and \$110 for cats a year and older. Once your kittens or cats are in our program, any home you find must be approved via our application process.

Please know that we will do everything we can to place your cat or kitten as quickly as possible, however there is absolutely no guarantee about the time frame. It could be as quick as a week or a month or as long as a year. There is just no way to know. Every cat always gets a home, but we can make no promises about how long this will take.

Please send an email indicating you have read and agree to all the items on the Foster Agreement. Include a picture of the cat(s) /kittens if you haven't already done so. Once we receive that and your application, we will begin scheduling your cat or kitten and working to find that perfect home!

Thank you again for caring about this cat or kitten. We appreciate you and want to work with you to make sure that this leads to a very happy ending.

Purrs to you! Foster Coordinator Purr Partners Feline Rescue

