



## Rehoming/Adoption Agreement

This Rehoming/Adoption Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into as of the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, by and between the \*\*J.F. Shea Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc.\*\* ("The Shea Center") and the individual or organization identified below ("Adopter/Purchaser").

By signing this Agreement, the Adopter/Purchaser acknowledges and agrees to the terms and conditions set forth herein for the rehoming or adoption of an equine from The Shea Center.

### 1. Rehoming/Adoption Criteria

- First-Time Equine Owners: The Shea Center does not re-home any equine to a first-time equine owner.
- Existing Equine: The Adopter/Purchaser must currently have at least one other equine residing at the intended adoption location.
- Site Visit: The Adopter/Purchaser must visit The Shea Center and be observed interacting with the equine prior to adoption.

### 2. Restrictions on Rehoming

- No Auction for Slaughter: The Adopter/Purchaser agrees not to sell, transfer, release, or otherwise place the equine into possession of any individual or organization that will allow the equine to be sold at auction for slaughter or any other purpose that may result in the harm or slaughter of the equine.
- First Right of Refusal: If the Adopter/Purchaser decides to rehome the equine, The Shea Center has the first right of refusal to reclaim the equine before the Adopter/Purchaser places the equine with any other individual or organization.
- Approval of New Placement: If the Adopter/Purchaser decides to rehome the equine, they must seek prior written approval from The Shea Center for any individual or organization intending to take possession of the equine. The Adopter/Purchaser must also provide The Shea Center with the name, address, and contact information of the new potential owner.

- Return of Equine: In the event that the Adopter/Purchaser is no longer able or willing to care for the equine, the equine must be returned to The Shea Center, at no cost to The Shea Center, and the equine cannot be sold, transferred, or rehomed to any third party without prior written consent.

### **3. Conditions of Care and Use**

- Breeding: The Adopter/Purchaser agrees that the rehomed equine will not be bred under any circumstances.

- Updates: The Adopter/Purchaser agrees to provide regular updates on the equine's well-being, including photos and veterinary records, to The Shea Center for as long as they are responsible for the equine's care.

- Unannounced Visits: The Shea Center reserves the right to make unannounced visits to the Adopter/Purchaser's facility to ensure compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

- Scheduled Visits: The Shea Center also reserves the right to schedule visits with reasonable notice.

### **4. Transfer of Ownership**

Timing of Transfer: The transfer of ownership of the equine will occur:

☐ Immediately (at the time of adoption/purchase)

### **5. Breach of Contract**

Breach: If any of the terms of this Agreement are breached, including but not limited to the failure to adhere to the provisions regarding rehoming, sale, slaughter, or improper care, the equine must be returned to The Shea Center immediately.

### **6. References and Requirements**

References: The Adopter/Purchaser agrees to provide the following references:

1. Veterinarian currently serving Adopter/Purchaser equines:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

2. Farrier currently serving the Adopter/Purchaser's equines:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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

## 7. Return of Equine to The Shea Center

No Cost Return: The Adopter/Purchaser agrees that the equine can be returned to The Shea Center at any time, free of charge, should they no longer wish to, or be able to, care for the equine.

## 8. Binding Nature of Agreement

Future Ownership: The terms of this Agreement shall apply to any individual or organization who subsequently takes possession of the equine from the Adopter/Purchaser. Should the equine be rehomed or transferred to any third party, the new owner or organization will be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

## 9. Indemnification

The Adopter/Purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold harmless The Shea Center, its staff, agents, and representatives, from any and all claims, damages, or liabilities arising from the ownership or care of the equine after the transfer of ownership.

By signing below, the Adopter/Purchaser affirms that they have read, understood, and agree to abide by all terms and conditions outlined in this Rehoming/Adoption Agreement.

### Adopter/Purchaser Information:

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

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

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

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

### J.F. Shea Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc.

#### Representative:

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Adopter/Purchaser Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

J.F. Shea Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc. Representative Signature:

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