



THE LONGEARS SAFEHOUSE
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ADOPTION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into on this _____th day of [MONTH], [YEAR], between
[NAME AND PHYSICAL ADDRESS OF ADOPTER],

hereinafter known as Adopter(s), and

The Longears Safehouse, hereinafter known as **TLS**, a NM non-profit donkey rescue (FEIN # 46-0907101) with registered office in Estancia, NM, acting as the adopting organization,

is a legally binding agreement delineating the terms and conditions of adopting the equine(s) currently known to all parties as

[NAME OF ANIMAL].

Breed: [DONKEY OR MULE/HINNY] Gender: _____ approximate age: _____ YRS
Size: [MINI/STANDARD/MAMMOTH] Color: _____

1. Description and history of animal:

[MEDICAL AND BEHAVIORAL HISTORY, LAST VACCINATIONS, WORMING, HOOF TRIM, AND COGGINS, ANY HEALTH PROBLEMS AND HOW TO MANAGE THEM, ANY POTENTIAL BEHAVIORAL/TRAINING ISSUES AND HOW TO CONTINUE IMPROVING THEM.]

2. Upon receipt of Adopter's signed adoption agreement and covenant to provide all necessary care for the adopted animal, TLS transfers custody and possession of said animal to Adopter(s). By signing this Adoption Agreement, the Adopter acknowledges that failure to comply with any of the requirements will be considered a breach of the Adoption Agreement, in which case

9. Adopter is expected and encouraged to seek help from TLS with any questions or problems that may arise during the adoption. TLS will do its reasonable best to work with Adopter as needed to make the adoption successful. TLS retains the right to visit the donkeys and the facility where they are kept on rare occasions and upon reasonable advance notice to Adopters if the situation needs re-assessment and suggestions for improvement. _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

10. Adopter is required to provide equine (preferably donkey) company for the adopted animal at all times. Adopter is expected to ensure that the adopted animal will be comfortable with the other animals on the property _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

11. Adopter can return the adopted animal at any time to TLS for any reason, including that the Adopter cannot care for the animal or if the animal is no longer wanted or needed. In the latter case, the return or a successor adoption under a new adoption contract with TLS are required. _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

12. Adopter understands and agrees that under no circumstances will an adopted animal be used or sold for slaughter or breeding, or otherwise sold, given away, assigned, or disposed, or have any interest thereof transferred, without the written consent of TLS. Furthermore, the adopter will not use the adopted animal for such sports as roping, team roping or donkey basketball. _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

13. Adopter agrees that this Agreement is governed by the substantive laws of New Mexico, and New Mexico rules and laws will apply. Adopter further agrees that should any dispute arise, all legal proceedings must be filed, mediated, arbitrated, heard, tried, and decided in New Mexico. _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

14. Adopter(s) has paid a total cumulative **non-refundable** adoption fee in the equivalent of \$ 300 (three hundred dollars) to cover some of the vet and feed expenses TLS has incurred for the adopted animal. _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

15. Adopter confirms by signing this agreement that Adopter(s) has/have never been charged or convicted of animal abuse at any time in any State or Commonwealth, including but not limited to New Mexico. If, at any time, TLS learn that Adopter(s) has/have any record of any kind relating to animal abuse in any State or Commonwealth, possession of adopted animal will automatically revert to TLS, and TLS may, without notice, repossess said animal. _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

16. Adopter confirms by signing this agreement that he/she has carefully read and understood all provisions of this agreement. _____ **initials of Adopter(s)**

17. Other instructions/agreements:

