By Signing Below I hereby acknowledge that I am entering into a contract with the Kingston Humane Society, hereinafter referred to as 'KHS'. I agree to abide by the following terms:

- 1. Sterilization: **All animals** are spayed/neutered prior to adoption unless otherwise recommended by a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) due to medical/health complications. If an animal has not been altered prior to adoption the owner **must** agree to return the animal and have this completed upon the recommendation of veterinary staff at the KHS. Failure to do so may, at the KHS's discretion, declare the adopter in breach of contract, which hereinafter means; this adoption is rendered null and void and the adopter must immediately turn over ownership and possession of the animal to the KHS.
- 2. The adopter will adhere to all laws and by-laws concerning the animal.
- 3. The above described animal shall be kept in the possession of the adopter's immediate family for a minimum of one year.
- 4. The animal must be treated humanely for its entire life. The adopter will not permit the animal to be used for any experimental or vivisection purposes whatsoever.
- 5. No adoptions of animals to people under 18 years of age.
- 6. The KHS reserves the right to conduct a home visit prior to adoption. This visit may, or may not be required, at the discretion of the KHS.
- 7. Once the animal is in adopters' possession, and the adoption agreement has been signed, the adopter is solely responsible for the care, welfare and medical costs incurred as a result of owning this animal.
- 8. It is strongly recommended that the adopter take the animal to a veterinarian for a wellness examination upon completion of the adoption.
- 9. Identification, including a microchip (provided prior to adoption), is required for all pets.
- 10. Within the first year following adoption, if the adoption is not a well-suited match or if the adopter can no longer care for this pet, the adopter must return it to the KHS. Refunds are not available
- 11. If any of the terms are not met, the adopter agrees to return the animal directly to the KHS at the KHS's request.

13. THE ADOPTER ASSUMES ALL RISKS AND LIABILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH

- 12. The adopter agrees that they have been notified of any health or behaviour concerns that are known to the KHS.
- ADOPTING AND CARING FOR THIS ANIMAL. THE ADOPTER, OR THE ADOPTER'S AGENT OR HEIR, AGREES TO HOLD THE KHS HARMLESS FOR ANY AND ALL CLAIMS OF INJURY AS A RESULT OF ADOPTING/OWNING/CARING FOR THIS ANIMAL.